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SCHOOL CALENDAR

September	4	City High School students return
	8	Staff meeting
	11	All students return
	12	Regular classes begin
	23	Observance of National Kid's Day - Kiwanis Club
October	5	Board of Advisors' Meeting
	6,7,8	Boy Scout Jamboree - Covered Bridge Reservation (Alabama, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri).
	10	National Fire Drill
	10	Little Theater - Dramatic Club Students
	13	Marine Band Concert - Jefferson County Armory
	13,14, 15	Girls' Play Day at Jacksonville, Illinois (Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri)
	20	Hi Twelve Luncheon Program - Seelback Hotel
	20	End of first six-weeks' marking period
	21	Public announcement by Building Commission of new buildings for school
	28	Student Halloween Party and Scavenger Hunt
	31	Cottage Halloween Parties
November	13,14	American Printing House Trustees' Meeting
	22	Thanksgiving vacation begins at noon
	26	Thanksgiving vacation ends
December	1	End of second six-weeks' marking period
	5	Little Theater - Dramatic Club Students
	9	Wrestling Meet - Virginia School at Staunton, Virginia
	13	Pee Wee King Band - Masonic Home
	15	Luncheon and Christmas Program for Hi Twelve Club
	19	Student Christmas Carol Program
	21	Christmas vacation begins
January	2	Christmas vacation ends
	3	Regular classes resumed

HONOR ROLL

First Marking Period -- October 20, 1950

Bobby Barnes
Joan Britt
Jesse Doll Brown
Clarence Camp ("1's" in effort)
Billie Jean Clark
Curtis Crum
Claudia Dotson
Betty Jean Greene
Neveline Huddleston
Robert Johnson
Oral Miller (4 "A's")
David Murrell
Alice Napier
Magdeline Parsons
Raymond Randles
Anna Rose Ratliff
Louise Rogers
Alma Jean White
Elsie Willard

These students have an average of "B" or better for the first six weeks. They are now permitted to prepare their work independently for the next period, and they need not report to study hall if they can prepare their lessons at other times during the day. They also have permission to leave study hall when their work is finished.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR

T trains that travel far and fast.
H homes where we stay with Mother and Dad.
A animals that give us meat.
N nations on the earth.
K knowledge that we Americans have.
S songs that we can sing.
G girls and boys that live on the earth.
I interesting things that people can see.
V villages where we live.
I islands where some people live
N nationalities that people have.
G good things that God has given us to eat in the past year.

Larry Edward Hutson

THE MUSIC BOX

With the arrival of another school term, our music department has once more become very active. We at the K.S.B. like to think of our music department as one of the outstanding features of our school, and in our meager capacity fervently desire to interest all our friends both within the school and without.

Three of our students, Billie Jean Clark, Raymond Seaver and Louis Knipp, performed for the Hi Twelve Club of the Brotherhood of Freemasonry in the Seelbach Hotel, Friday, October 20. On the preceding Friday some of the children attended a concert by the United States Marine Band, while on October 21 we heard a performance by the Albeneri Trio.

The first of the regular subscription concerts of the Louisville Orchestra was enjoyed by five of us on November 15.

One of the rare opportunities of many seasons presented itself when, on the 19th day of November, we were privileged to attend a performance by the magnificient Royal Philharmonic of London, England, under the distinguished leadership of the world-renowned Sir Thomas Beecham, Bart. Beecham led his players in splendid compositions by Berlioz, Mozart, Sibelius, Beethoven, and Strauss.

Also on November 19, a group of students with a contrasting musical taste saw an afternoon show at the Jefferson County Armory by such stars from the folk music world as Little Jimmie Dickens, Hank Snow, and Pee Wee King. Bob Kay, a well-known disk jockey, was also on the program.

Our mixed chorus will present its annual Christmas program with a group of carols on December 19.

Louis Knipp
11th Grade

S C O U T N E W S

Since the opening of school, Troop 10 has participated in several interesting events.

On October 6-8, 1950, the Southwestern Scout Jamboree was held at Covered Bridge Reservation located seventeen miles from Louisville on U.S. Highway 42. Four schools took part in this activity: Alabama, Missouri, Illinois, and Kentucky. Each troop was represented by five scouts and a leader:-

Alabama
Stanley Johnson, Committeeman
Robert Conner, Scoutmaster
Ray Fulghum
Waylon Holcomb
Curtis Putnam
Gary Smart
Carlton Yancey

Missouri
James Hendrickson, Scoutmaster
Wayne Anderson
Leonard Dowers
Marion Fisher
Richard Gandy
Daniel Johnson

Kentucky
Samuel J. Richie, Scoutmaster
Oral Miller, Patrol Leader
Bobby Johnson, Bugler
Donald Thomas
Robert Johnson
Ben Robinson

Illinois
Nellis Crane, Scoutmaster
Oliver Braddy
William Burns
William Chambers
Charles Harris
Donald Heitler

Kentucky Service Patrol
Jerry Cameron, Patrol Leader
Will Evans
Manus Castle
Raymond Randles
Richard McDowell

The troops were all in camp about six o'clock, and they were assigned to their respective sleeping quarters. One boy from every troop was in the same quarter so that they might all become better acquainted.

After the boys had their supper and "taps" had sounded, the scoutmasters had a meeting to talk about tentative activities for the meeting.

The next morning, fifteen minutes after reveille, Jerry Cameron raised the flag while the troop stood at attention. Following this, a substantial breakfast put the scouts in good condition to carry on the activities for the day.

The scout handicraft contest took up most of the morning. Included in this part of the program were fire lighting, knot tying, use of knife and axe, first aid, and a test of ten general questions about scouting. Alabama won this contest.

Although the air was just a little frosty, about twenty boys took a swim in the nice pool at Covered Bridge. This was about 11:15. Immediately following lunch the scouts boarded the bus to go to Louisville for tours through the American Printing House for the Blind and the Kentucky School for the Blind. When the tours were completed, the girls in our school very graciously served refreshments in their lounge, the "Blue Room."

Upon their return to camp, about ten or fifteen boys went in for a short swim. The water was pretty cold, so they didn't relish staying in more than fifteen minutes.

At dinner that evening, Mr. Davis, Superintendent of the Printing House for the Blind; Mr. Langan, Superintendent of the Kentucky School for the Blind; and Mr. Steptoe made short speeches. Afterwards, the Scout Oath and Law contest was won by Bill Burns from the Illinois troop. Mr. Roy Haynes, a former scout of Troop 10, and the 1934 winner of the city-wide contest, awarded Bill the gold medal.

Each scout was given a neckerchief slide, match holder, and a scout good-luck piece as souvenirs of the jamboree. In addition, each troop was given a blue ribbon suitably inscribed.

The Service Patrol assisted the cook in the kitchen and mess hall, and helped all persons who needed directions or guidance about the camp.

At the camp fire each group contributed some song or act to the festivities. All the members of Troop 10 participated in the ceremonies of the camp fire. The next morning, even though the bugler was late in getting up, everyone got a fairly early start for home.

On behalf of Troop 10 and all the other participants, we would like to express our deep appreciation to Mr. Langan and to the superintendents of the Alabama, Illinois, and Missouri Schools for the Blind for making this first Southwestern Scout Jamboree possible.

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In the latter part of October Troop 10 was inspected by Commissioner Espich. We were complimented on conduct, neatness, and advancement for the year.

There will be several boys trying for merit badges and advancement in regular rank. These boys will be mentioned in the next edition of the "Colonel". We expect about six new scouts in the troop by March.

Richard McDowell
11th Grade

CHORUS CLUB

On October 3 the Chorus Club held its first meeting at which time officers were elected. Oral Miller, a senior, was elected president; Richard McDowell was re-elected vice-president; Joan Britt became secretary; and Jerry Cameron was made treasurer. The last three are all in the junior class. Betty Jean Greene, also a junior, was selected as chairman of the program committee. Different members of the club will serve with her on this committee throughout the year.

The first social was held on November 10. It was a bus ride and a weiner roast at the home of Mr. Burwick, one of Mr. Mootz's friends. All but four of the forty members of the club were present on this occasion. We all certainly had a wonderful time.

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DRAMATIC CLUB

This year the Dramatic Club has quite a large membership, there being some thirty-five members. Miss Allan has been reading plays for consideration, and tryouts will probably begin shortly after Thanksgiving.

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JUNIOR-SENIOR CLUB

Due to the fact that the senior class is rather small, the junior and seniors have combined to form a club. The first meeting was held on September 24. Officers were elected at this time. Jessie Brown was chosen to preside over the club; Joan Britt was made vice-president; Louis Knipp, secretary; and Billie Jean Clark, treasurer. This club, with its energetic members, seems to be destined to be one of the outstanding clubs this year.

Louise Rogers
10th Grade

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FRESHMEN CLUB

Our Freshmen Club had its first meeting on September 22, during which we elected our various officers. Billy Stanley was elected president; Ben Robinson, vice-president; and Raymond Randles, treasurer. The members of the program committee are Betty Broughman, Flonnie Howard, Evelyn Willard, Donald Thomas, and Raymond Seaver.

We had our first social on October 21. We played games and had refreshments, and everybody considered the party a big success. We plan to have another social in the near future.

Raymond Seaver
9th Grade

K E E P I N T U N E

On October 23, 1950, the six classes in piano tuning met to discuss the formation of a tuners' club. At this meeting Curtis Crum, a senior was elected president. Following the election we gave the floor to anyone having a suggestion as to what we should call our club. K.S.B. TUNING AND SERVICE CLUB was suggested by Curtis Crum and was accepted as final.

Each class was asked to make one objective. This is the list that was chosen:

1. Better care of school pianos
2. Better care of our tools
3. Keep in touch with K.S.B. graduates who are now tuners
4. Encourage the study of music
5. Create more interest in the piano tuning department
6. Have both regular and interesting club meetings.

With their instructor, Mr. Samuel J. Richie, the senior tuners have the advantage of tuning pianos in private homes and in churches. This year we have only one senior tuner who has this opportunity, namely, Robert M. Johnson

Two pianos have been donated to us recently. One is a Steinway and the other is a Chickering. We are repairing these pianos, and then they will be used in our practice rooms.

There are fifteen members in our club. Our meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8:30 P.M. after study hall. At each meeting, if at all possible, we will have an experienced tuner speak on problems that present themselves in the tuning business.

Curtis Crum, 12th Grade
Robert Johnson, 11th Grade

C H R I S T M A S

The time of Christmas festivities is drawing near. Soon the brilliant store windows will gleam with red, green, and white, signifying the cheer of the coming holidays. For me Christmas is a scene from a beautiful story book--a wonderland of faith and thrilling dreams. This season is a time in which there is nothing but good in the heart of man.

While walking in this fairyland of ours you might stop to gaze through the window of a small, white cottage. Crisp, dainty curtains hang on either side of the window encompassing a large tree as though the casement were a delicate picture frame. Rays of multi-colored lights case tents of red and green on the sparkling white snow. On the top of the tree rests a petite angel, her golden hair blending with the dark green of the branches. She smiles sweetly on the children who are now placing beneath the tree mysterious packages wrapped with gay ribbons. Then the little folks scamper away like timy mice, their cheeks rosy as bright red apples, amd their eyes aglow with happiness.

As you watch this tender scene you say to yourself: "This is My Country! These are My People!" For no apparent reason your eyes turn upward to the clear, blue sky, and you are praying.

For a while the screaming shells and the bursting cannon are forgotten, and a star appears. The cold, icy wind and the driving snow do not matter any more, for you realize it is the time of the Christ Child's birthday; all is right with the world. Suddenly you hear the mellifluous phrase of a carol, and if you have ever felt antipathy toward anyone it is now forgotten. The sweet voices are singing, "Peace on earth, and good will toward men."

Barbara Ann Wheeler
11th Grade

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C stands for the Christ Child, who dies for all our sins;
H stands for the Heaven in which he lives
R stands for the road you take to reach your heavenly home to share the countless blessings that he gives.
I stands for the Infant, born in Bethlehem.
S stands for the star that shone so bright;
T stands for the three wise men who found his place of birth, and knew the prophecy of Him was right.
M stands for the many gifts the people gave to Him,
A stands for the angels watching near;
S stands for the Savior's teachings while He lived on earth
That at one time reaches everyone's ear.

Robert Johnson
11th Grade

Should you have passed through our halls on the first day of school, you might have been approached with such questions as: "Say, who's the 'Southern Belle' in the office?" "What do you know about the boys' new gym teacher?" "Is his wife really taking care of the cottage boys?" "Have you met the new third grade teacher? Can't you just see the high school boys trying to be demoted to the third grade!" Finding ourselves confronted with these questions, we started looking for the answers. Here is the information we found:

Since Mr. Cox is now acting as business manager at the workshop for the Adult Blind, Mrs. Louise Solomon is efficiently taking his place in our office as school clerk. Mrs. Solomon is a former student of Stetson University in Panama City, her home town. Her Southern accent is a tribute to her personality; but southern accent or not, she's a grand person and we like her a lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Lykins came to us from Wake Forest, North Carolina. While Mr. Lykins is teaching, Mrs. Lykins acts as governess to the cottage boys. We feel that knowing them is a privilege, for they are both great assets to our school.

Mrs. Edith Dyal is a former student of Baylor University, in Waco, Texas. Her personality and charm have been well received by the students. In two years she and her husband plan to give up their positions to be missionaries. Wherever she may go, along with her she shall carry our best wishes for success in her every field of endeavor.

Mrs. Anna Black has rejoined our teaching staff this year after leaving us three years ago to be with her husband in his printing business. Mrs. Black has taken over the kindergarten and first grade groups, succeeding Mrs. Margaret Traub who has been appointed state-wide field worker in the adult program.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett are now living here at school. While Mrs. Barrett continues her work as home economics teacher, Mr. Barrett acts as Supervisor for the older boy.

To these new members of our staff we extend a hearty welcome. It is our sincere desire that the future will bring you much happiness in your work.

Joan Britt
Betty Jean Greene
11th Grade

SPORTS

Mr. Wendell Lykins, our new coach this year, spent the first few weeks of the physical education and athletics class in getting the boys into condition.

The first event of the year was the annual game of Philadelphia Kick with the Alumni. Graduation last year took many of our best boys, but nevertheless, seven of our students took the field against a far superior alumni team. After the lead changed hands several times, the old men finally won by the score of 12 to 9.

Preparation for wrestling was next on our athletic calendar. Our schedule at present lists the following matches:

December 9 -- Virginia School at Staunton, Virginia.
February 3 -- Triangular Meet -- Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Here.
February 24 --Mid West Tournament at St. Louis, Mo.
March 2-3---- Eastern Tournament at Raleigh, N. C.

Tentative arrangements are still in the making for a date and place for a meet with the West Virginia School.

Many of our boys will be seeing action for the first time this year and we are not making any predictions about our team. Under the supervision of Coach Lykins we can count on a hustling group of boys, however and we are hoping we will have the best season in the short history of wrestling here at our school.

Oral Miller '51

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RED CROSS ANNOUNCEMENT

On October 19, 1950, we received the following notice from Miss Ruth Anderson, Director of the Louisville Junior Red Cross:

"We have been notified by National Headquarters that a poem, 'Poor Henry!' by Oral Miller of the Kentucky School for the Blind, will appear on page 43 of the November 1950 JOURNAL."

Oral, a senior now, wasn't too pleased to claim this sophomore effort which was published in the March 1949 issue of the Colonel. However, we felt that in view of this national recognition "Poor Henry!" should be reprinted here for our present readers.

POOR HENRY!

Old Henry does not wish to run --
He says that he is tired.
His parts are old and rickety,
His spark plugs are not wired.

His wheels are bad, his doors are off;
He coughs and sputters and spits.
Throw him in the junk yard, for
His motor never hits.

Faculty Editor.

WHAT THEY ARE DOING NOW

A notice in the West Virginia Tablet recently announced the appointment of Jimmy Scoggins of our 1949 class as teacher of piano tuning at the Romney School, Jimmy had the advantage of a year of post graduate work in this field at Perkins last year after completing our regular three year course. Jim was a leader here in our school and we are not surprised at his selection for the position at Romney.

A member of our 1950 class, Herman Davis, has also chosen the field of teaching. Herman accepted the position of teacher of Physical Education at the Oklahoma School for the Blind this year, and will direct the boys' athletic program. Davis was an outstanding athlete in our school and should do well in his new work.

Sue Cochran (class of '50) followed through with her plan to go to college and is a freshman at Murray State College, just six miles from her home town. We are confident that Sue will go right on with the high scholastic rating she established here with us and for her last two years at Louisville Girls' High.

Joanna Pennington decided during the summer to be a career girl in the business world amd came back to us this fall for some additional work in commercial subjects. She has been placed by Vocational Rehabilitation as a stenographer in the dictaphone pool at the office of the Reynolds Metal Co. here in Louisville. Joanna graduated in 1950.

Jack Perry, '50, is preparing himself to be a gentleman farmer we hear and has enrolled at Kentucky Wesleyan College in Winchester.

Leland Lutes, our midterm senior of last year, is a freshman at the new Catholic College, Ballarmine, here in Louisville.

Refena Randles '50, is taking a post-graduate high school course at Louisville Baptist High School this year.

A recent letter to the Tuning Club brought us news of Arthur Johnson, the only piano tuning graduate of last year's class. With the tools furnished him by Vocational Rehabilitation, Arthur is well set up in business for himself in his home town of Blair. In addition to his private customers, Arthur has contracted for some local school and church pianos.

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In an editorial titled a VICTORY IS MARKED UP AGAINST BLINDNESS in the Courier-Journal on December 4, 1950, Miss Linda Neville was again recognized for the contribution she has made to the program here in Kentucky. After treating 13,000 trachoma cases since it was founded in 1926, the Irvine-McDowell Memorial Hospital in Richmond, Kentucky closed on December 1. Miss Neville was instrumental in the founding of this special hospital and worked closely with Dr. Robert Sory, the Director since 1926, in referring patients needing treatment.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

On October 20, 1950, a most important item appeared in the local papers regarding our school. Lt. Gov. Wetherby and the State Engineer released to the public the confirmation of an allotment of $200,000, to our school for building two new student residences. These buildings will have bedroom units for groups of three students, rather than the former dormitory style of accommodations. Each unit of two bedrooms housing six students will have a connecting bathroom equipped with double facilities. The girls' building will also have an adequate and modern medical, dental, and infirmary unit, a facility we have sorely needed in our present plant. Both residences will have large recreation and lounge rooms with fireplaces and will provide the children with a homelike environment. Each residence will have its own dining room and kitchen. The materialization of these buildings will be the result of four long years of hard work by the Superintendent and the Board of Advisors in bringing to the State authorities the needs of our school. It is hoped that the units will be ready for occupancy when the children return to school in September 1951.

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When the public schools changed over to coeducation this year it put our high school program in a state of adjustment. Since the inauguration of this cooperative program with the local public schools in September 1946, our students have attended Male High and Louisville Girls' High for their junior and senior years. With Atherton High School coming into the picture this year for all students in the eastern section of the city, we find ourselves with two seniors at Girls' High; two seniors at Male High and our seven new juniors at Atherton High. This has caused us many problems in transportation, books, and teacher-tutors, but now at the end of the first twelve weeks the work seems to be going along as smoothly as before, and by next year when the complete change-over will be made to Atherton the experience will probably be forgotten.

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The next big news coming out since the last issue of this magazine, was the decision in June at Philadelphia of the American Association of Instructors of the Blind to hold their 1952 convention at our school. This group of teachers and educators last held their meeting here in 1890 and the size and work of the organization has grown considerably since that time. It is expected that the Louisville meeting of the Association will be the largest in the history of the work. Many of the teachers in other schools for the blind will have their first opportunity of visiting the American Printing House for the Blind while here for the meeting. It is the hope of our staff that this meeting will not only be the biggest in history, but will be the best and the most profitable professional meeting ever held for the instructors.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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THE CROSS OF CHRIST

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er The wrecks of time; All the light of sacred
story Gathers round its head sublime. When the woes of life o'ertake me, Hopes deceive and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me.
When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon the way, From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more lustre to the day. Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.

H O N O R R O L L

Second Marking Period — December 1, 1950

The following have study hall privilege:

Oral Miller (all A's)
Curtis Crum
Robert Johnson
Neveline Huddleston
Louise Rogers
Claudia Dotson
Alice Napier
Elsie Willard
Elwood Miracle
Bobby Barnes

The following have shown excellent effort in their courses but their grades do not justify study hall privilege:

Magdalene Parsons
Clarence Camp
Tommy Frommel
Mason Edwards
Larry Pratt

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Third Marking Period — January 26, 1951

The following students have earned study hall privilege:

Oral Miller (all A's)
Beverly Damal
Curtis Crum
Jessie D. Brown
Magdalene Parsons
Richard McDowell
Robert Johnson
Neveline Huddleston
Leona Tubb
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Claudia Dotson
Alice Napier
David Murrell
Elsie Willard
Elwood Miracle
Bobby Barnes

The following students have shown excellent effort in their courses but their grades do not justify study hall privilege:

Larry Pratt
Clarence Camp
Tommy Frommel
Mason Edwards

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Fourth Marking Period — March 9, 1951

Oral Miller (all A's)
Beverly Damal
Curtis Crum
Jessie D. Brown
Anna Rose Ratliff
Magdalene Parsons
Richard McDowell
Louis Knipp
Robert Johnson
Neveline Huddleston
Billie Jean Clark
Jerry Cameron
Joan Britt
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Claudia Dotson
Larry Pratt
Elwood Miracle
Tommy Frommel (all 1's)

A C T I V I T I E S

Some folks might say that K.S.B. got off to a wrong start in the field of activities for 1951 - all because of a "backward party." This party is discussed under club news because the Chorus Club was the host; so, without further ado, we shall leave the month of January and see what February brought forth.

Valentine was a BIG affair. Miss Hilda Faye Smith and Miss Ivaline Long joined forces to bring us a very successful dance on the tenth of February. We knew it was going to be fun from the minute we walked in the door and observed the two ladies in charge taking particular notice of what we said. We learned later that they were listening for someone to say the word "cupid" which was the lucky word for a prize. During the intermission there was an exhibition dance by Jerry Cameron and Joan Britt who were voted the best dancers of the evening. Billie Jean Clark and Robert Page were voted the best dressed couple of the evening. They, too were asked to give an exhibition dance. Three dances by candle light brought the party to a close. The prizes, good food, wonderful music, and originality made Valentine of 1951 one to be remembered. Miss Smith, Miss Long, it was wonderful. Why don't you try it more often?

The merry month of March wasn't left out of the fun either. On the tenth of March the alumni contributed three hours of wholesome fun. We did everything from playing games to exchanging clothes. Standing in a circle, we passed around a bundle of clothes. When the music stopped. we arrayed ourselves in the contents of the bundle that was in our hands. This was quite a sight to see! We wore everything from gloves to pajamas. We always look forward to the alumni party. This year we had the opportunity to find out how much fun it would be to play games. This may have seemed child-like at any other time, but not when it was presented to us in the way that the Alumni Association did.

On Saturday, March 31, the annual speech festival will be held at Male High School. Four girls from this school will participate in the festival. Billie Jean Clark and Claudia Dotson will read editorials, Louise Rogers will give a reading from a dramatic play, and Joan Britt will do a humorous monologue. Those who receive a superior rating in the regionals will take part in the state festival which will be held on April 12, at the University of Kentucky. Good luck girls! We'll be keeping our fingers crossed for you.

Betty Jean Green
Joan Britt
11th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

Our music department has spent a rather busy winter. To begin with, our student chorus presented a program of Christmas music for the Hi-12 Club, of the Brotherhood of Free Masons, in our auditorium on December 15. The program followed a luncheon given in the school dining room. On the following Tuesday, December 19, the chorus presented their annual Christmas program, consisting of these previously performed pieces, along with a few others.

The students have been privileged to attend many splendid concerts during the intervening months since the last issue of THE COLONEL appeared. Subscription concerts of the Louisville Philharmonic Society were attended on December 6, January 10, January 31, and February 28. Included among the offerings of the Community Concert Series were performances by Rudolph Firkusny on December 7, the Graudons on January 22, Elena Nikolaidi on February 26, and George London on March 13. Also, among the chamber music attractions were musical presentations by the Louisville String Quartette on January 6, the Budapest String Quartette on February 3, and the New York piano Quartette on March 11.

On Sunday evening, March 4, the choir of St. Mark's Episcopal Church presented a most excellent choral evensong. The group is under the leadership of Mr. Robert Hobbs, our organ instructor at school.

The music department is presently engaged in preparations for the student recital in early June, and the music of the subsequent commencement exercises.

Louis Knipp
11th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

The most important events of scouting since our last issue came during Scout Anniversary Week, February 6-13. During this time we had several activities, one of which was an indoor campfire that was quite successful. Awards were made and we sang a number of scout songs. As usual, the salute to the colors was given. The student body and the members of the faculty were invited to the ceremony, and we sincerely hope that they enjoyed it. As each person entered the auditorium, he was given a number that later decided which boy and girl were the prize winners.

Mr. Richie, the Scoutmaster, made a talk in chapel one morning during that week his topic being "The Conservation of Paper." Troop 10 has been saving waste paper since the shortage has become acute.

Again, as in past years during Scout Week, we decorated a local shop window, but we have not yet learned whether or not we shall receive a blue ribbon.

We haven't had any advancement since the last edition, but by the end of the term we should have several new boys to join the troop and a large number who will rise in rank and receive merit badges. We have ten boys who are trying to advance to first class scout -- the largest number in the history of the troop to try for this class at one time.

Camp Covered Bridge will be the place for our overnight outing early in May. Here we hope to finish the work on advancement and to discuss plans for the activities of the troop next term.

We have been invited to participate in the Seneca District Merit Badge Show where we shall demonstrate physical development. In this program we shall have some wrestling matches and track events, as well as give a demonstration in calisthenics.

Richard McDowell
11th Grade

C L U B N E W S

CHORUS CLUB — After the Christmas holidays, the Chorus Club decided that it was time for some kind of original party. What could be more so than a backward party? During the Week of January 19, girls could be seen inviting boys to the party which was to be given that Friday. Also, if you came over to the girls's side on Thursday evening or Friday afternoon, you probably saw the girls busily making corsages for their dates. Oh, you don't remember seeing a corsage? Well, perhaps that is because you did not recognize them as such! Anything from onions to cow bells constituted these corsages, and some clever "masterpieces" were the result. If you looked into the auditorium for the merry-makers at seven o'clock, you probably thought it strange that no one was there. But this being a "backward" party, all the guests had been directed downstairs for refreshments -- yes, as soon as the girls had escorted their dates to the auditorium! It certainly was a lot of fun doing everything "counter-clockwise", so to speak; and examining all the "lovely" corsages created more hilarity than has been displayed in a long time. Louise Burkhart won the prize for her decorated bell which she presented to Donny Adams. The prize was a dollar bill torn in half -- so that Donny could share it, too!

Congratulations go to the members of the program committee for their fine work in arranging this party. It was a grand success, and we hope to have more such original entertainments.

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DRAMATIC CLUB — On returning to school after the Christmas holidays, everyone heard the disappointing news that Miss Allan was very ill. This affected, particularly, the Dramatic Club because rehearsals for the spring play would necessarily be postponed. Miss Allan is not entirely well, but she has been coming to school every afternoon to dictate the parts of the play. Although all the parts have not been copied in braille, Miss Allan feels confident that we shall be able to give it some time near the close of school. The play is a three-act comedy entitled "Young April."

Louise Rogers
10th Grade

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FRESHMAN CLUB — On December 16, our Freshman Club had a very delightful Christmas party in the girls' Blue Room. We played games, distributed presents, and had refreshments. We all enjoyed ourselves very much. Although our meetings were scheduled for every Friday evening, circumstances beyond our control prevented our next meeting until February. At this time new officers were elected. Ben Robinson, became President; Bill Stanley, Vice-President; Alice Napier, Treasurer; Evelyn Willard, Secretary. The program committee consists of Louise Burkhart, Flonnie Howard, Delsie Messer, and James Rader.

Delsie Messer
9th Grade

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GOODWILL CLUB — About the first of March, a group of the younger boys decided to form a club for the purpose of helping each other and to be of help to everyone else, too, in any way possible. Also, we hope to stimulate patriotism and interest in our school. The club meets every week to talk over the events of the past week. Since our business is to help each other, we are glad to discuss any trouble any member may have. The program committee has been working very hard planning the spring activities. We shall give a thorough account of this club in the next issue of THE COLONEL.

R. M. Johnson
12th Grade

K E E P I N T U N E

At our last meeting a visitor showed us the modern tuning kit. Mr. Short, a former piano tuning teacher of our school, now a tuner for the public, explained all the parts of the kit to each boy.

We have discovered a way in which it is possible to get standard pitch without using a tuning fork. The Bureau of Standards (in music and time), located in Washington, D.C., sends out a steady tone at the pitch of 440 vibrations per second. Therefore, if your radio is equipped with a shortwave band, it can be used instead of a tuning fork.

We are trying to learn all we can about the old makes of pianos with which we might come in contact during our tuning experience. If any reader of THE COLONEL knows about unusual makes of pianos, we would appreciate it very much if he would write us about them.

On Saturday afternoon, March 10, we visited T.V. Cranmer's piano repair shop. He had several makes of pianos which we hadn't seen before. He was restringing four pianos, and each differed in regard to its completion, permitting us to see each step in detail. He also had an old-fashioned square piano with the base strings running crosswise to the treble strings. The tuning pins on this particular piano were in the place of the hitch pins on an ordinary Grand. Some of the instruments in his shop were the Steinway, Strauss, Baldwin and Chickering. Besides discussing prices for various types of work done, Mr. Cranmer told us about advertising the profession. The giving of piano keys, calendars, ashtrays, cigarette lighters, or other small articles, bearing the name and address of the tuner, was the favorite method.

At the end of the year the club plans to take a trip to some famous place in Kentucky -- such as "My Old Kentucky Home."

If there are any other tuning clubs, we should like to know about them. The purpose of our club is to benefit all its members and make it possible for them to work together in order to better the whole piano tuning profession.

Curtis Crum, 12th Grade
Robert Johnson, 11th Grade

S P O R T S

The Midwestern Activities Association for the Blind, which is comparable to the E. A. A. B., has been established by the schools in the midwestern states -- Iowa, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Kansas, Missouri, and Kentucky. It was to this conference that we confined all our wrestling activities the past season.

January 27 was the date of our first meet of the season. This was a triangular affair in Little Rock, Arkansas--the participants being Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Kentucky. Both our opponents had very tough and well-coached teams. Although we had three rookies on our team, we scored a surprising number of points, twenty-one in all. Will Evans gave us our first real chance to cheer when he won second place in the 95-pound class. Ben Robinson soon followed Will's example by winning his match; however, his victory gave him first place in the 165-pound class. Oral Miller ended the meet by taking first place in the heavy-weight division. Although both our opponents scored more points than we, many were surprised by our performance.

We then had a lay-off of three weeks before our next meet, which was also a triangular affair--the teams in this match being Arkansas, Missouri, and Kentucky. The first Kentucky boy to start the ball rolling was Robert Page, another of our rookies. He captured second place in the 103-pound class. Bill Stanley soon followed by accomplishing the same feat in his division. Donnie Adams, by winning first in his class, and Oral Miller, by doing the same in his division, helped our cause very much. Although we did manage to grab second place in the meet, we were very unfortunate in losing the services of Ben Robinson. He received a mild concussion which sidelined him for the remainder of the season.

Many were anxious to see what our weakened team could do in the midwestern tournament at St. Louis on February 23 and 24. "Lady Luck" certainly didn't smile at us when we drew for the preliminary rounds because several of our boys were immediately matched with the best boys in their respective classes. Robert Page, Donnie Adams, and Oral Miller were able to advance to the semi-finals. Adams and Page were then eliminated from a shot at first place. Page later won his consolation match for third place; however, Adams was unable to wrestle because of injuries received in the semi-finals. Oral Miller, by winning first place in the heavy-weight division, became the first Kentucky grappler ever to win first place in a major tournament. We believe that Donnie Adams would have advanced to the finals if he had not received the injury which proved to be a fractured collar-bone.

The E.A.A.B. tournament at Raleigh was to be our next stop; however, our team had been so weakened by injuries we decided we should not enter the meet with an even smaller team than had been planned by our coach, Wendell Lykins.

Thus ended the first complete season in which we had no relations with the Eastern Athletic Association for the Blind. We feel that we have profited much by joining the newly-formed association. As well as being much nearer to us, it introduced us to a style of wrestling different from that of most eastern teams. Also, it is hoped that our belonging to both associations will some day be instrumental in bringing together the teams of the east and the midwest.

Now that wrestling has ended we are devoting most of our time to basketball practice. Since we have only two starters back from last year's team, we are much weaker than in the past. Nevertheless, we plan to play the Tennessee school on the 31st of March in Nashville. Although we are weak, we hope to avenge last year's disgraceful loss at the hands of that team. Also, we intend to have an informal wrestling match with the same school while in Nashville.

As is the case with our basketball team, our track team is weaker than in the past. We now have only three boys who were on last year's powerhouse. Ben Robinson, Donald Thomas, and Oral Miller are the only veterans. We hope that some of the untried talent will help us this season.

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WRESTLING, JUNIOR VERSION

A glaring weakness, the inability of our light-weights to come through in the clutches, has always hampered our wrestling teams of the past. It was our present coach, Mr. Wendell Lykins, who detected this weakness and attempted to correct it.

After instructing the small boys in the fundamentals of wrestling, he decided to give them some badly-needed experience. In order to gain this end he appointed two veteran wrestlers, Ben Robinson and Bill Stanley, to coach two teams of young grapplers. The two acting coaches, in order to develop team spirit, encourage the boys to name their teams, Robinson's team being called the "Termites", and Stanley's squad being branded the "Hounds". When these two groups of warriors met on the mat, the result was:

The first match paired McArthur Hensley against Charles Wafford. After a hard fight McArthur pinned Charles. The next match brought together Larry Hutson and B.T.Kimbrough,

ending with another victory for the same team when Larry pinned B.T. Things were looking bad for the Hounds as Gary Hall pinned Daniel Senters in the next contest; but when Lee Collins outpointed Phillip Hare in a hard-fought battle, the Hounds really had a chance to cheer. Elwood Miracle, of the Termites, put his team back on their winning way as he defeated Bobby Barnes by points. However, the Hounds retaliated when Charles Boyer displayed surprising wrestling skill in outpointing James Harvey Robinson; but the Termites again scored as Robert Huddleston pinned his Hound opponent, Jimmy Sydnor. In the last regular match--Merlin Combs of the Hounds, and Gary Jones of the Termites--resulted in more points for the Hounds. As exhibition match was then arranged between Merlin Combs and Joe Rodgers, for there was no other Hound opponent in Joe's weight. Joe used his superior size to outpoint Merlin. It was at this time that Mr. Lykins, the referee, announced that the Termites had won the match by a score of 40 to 29.

We think that the meet between the small boys was a great step forward in our attempt to strengthen our wrestling team. Much praise is due Mr. Lykins and the wrestlers who assisted him. Also, even more praise is to be given to the little fellows who took part in the meet. After all, they will be the wrestlers of tomorrow. Indeed, each boy who took part is a wrestler, Junior Version.

Oral Miller
12th Grade

THE POET'S CORNER

A SPECIAL VALENTINE

I searched the whole day through
To find a valentine for you;
A special card for you, my dear,
To bring you happiness and cheer.

A little verse simply to say
That I am thinking of you today,
And tell you in words so true
How much I love a friend like you.

I searched and searched but could not find
The special card I had in mind;
A valentine just could not say
The way I feel toward you today.

And so I send you these few lines
Which mean much more than valentines;
I should have known right from the start
You wanted words straight from my heart.

Barbara Wheeler
11th Grade

GEORGE WASHINGTON

George Washington was brave and kind,
A gentle man was he.
He had an understanding mind,
And treasured liberty.

His manly ways and sturdy build
Showed character and grace,
And all the people's hearts were thrilled
By his dear smiling face.

His memory will linger still,
And never pass away,
And that is why we celebrate
George Washington's birthday.

Neveline Huddleston
11th Grade

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

THE COMING OF SPRING

Driving along a country road Sunday morning, I suddenly felt warm and happy inside. Not quite realizing the significance of the feeling, I gazed at the countryside passing before my watchful eyes. The day somehow seemed different from the previous ones. Thoughtfully I drove on wondering at the brightness of the day. From out of nowhere came a gentle breeze stirring the tender green grass peeping up from the surface of the earth. Expectantly, I gazed skyward. Yes, there was a robin soaring up into the blue. The morning sun shone warm and bright down on Old Mother Earth. The rays of sunlight were caught in the ripples of a little stream, glistening like crystal, as it tumbled on its merry way. Breathing the sweetness of the morning air, I suddenly knew -- It was Spring! Each year it seems more wonderful than the year before.

Jean Krahwinkel
10th Grade

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EASTER

As Easter approaches, our thoughts involuntarily turn to the meaning of this season. To children, Easter is a day on which the legendary bunny hides baskets filled with colored eggs for them to find. Easter, to some adults, is a day on which to display new spring hats and suits at church. Still others find Easter an occasion to "just relax". The true meaning of Easter is far more beautiful and sacred than this. The Easter season is symbolic of the resurrection of Christ. It is a season which should cause rejoicing and thanksgiving for One who has done so much for us.

Alma Jean White
10th Grade

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DESCRIPTION

As I sit here typing, I can look out the window and see all the wonderful scenery outlined on the fluffy snow. It seems that the trees are lifting up their heads as if to look about and breathe the cool enticing air. Within, carefully-selected flowers make the typing room bloom with the glorious fragrance of spring itself. At each typewriter there sits a student with a smile of gladness expressing his realization that it is good to be alive. Even the light looks as if it were a bright ray of sunshine. One could almost get spring fever from observing this room and thinking a little about its true warmth and friendliness. The air outside is brisk and slightly biting. It appears to be a messenger from the North Pole coming to tell us that its enemy, the sun, is coming to drive it away and that it is mourning over its defeat. A conversation between the sun and the retreating north winds could well be imagined.

Outside the building, many new sights can be observed. The dome is silhouetted against the sky and seems to wear a white cap with streamers hanging from all sides. Then dropping my eyes to the second-floor level, I can see the Grecian-designed columns supporting the porch roof. The back of our building has a slightly different shade of colorfulness about it. The formation of the different wings seems to make it dark and rather mysterious. The two red fire-escapes seem to sense the lurking danger that is threatening an unexpected adventurer. With a good imagination one can put himself in any situation to suit his particular mood. There are two sides to everything, and it is for you to choose on which side you wish to dwell.

Robert Johnson
11th Grade

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A WORTHWHILE PASTIME

Have you ever been asked to do something which you wanted to do but which you were afraid to do because you thought it was wrong? I had this experience in late November of '49.

Mr. Robert Hobbs, organ teacher at our school, had given me many ideas concerning music, especially church music. Finally, he played some of his prized recordings, and I became more and more interested. It was during one of these get-togethers that he, out of a clear sky, remarked, "I think you have a lovely voice. Would you be interested in a proposition which I am offering you?"

"Yes, Mr. Hobbs. What is it?" I said very excitedly, not knowing what I would hear next.

"As you know, I am organist and choir master of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. Would you like to sing in the choir?"

"Certainly. I would love to."

We worked together for several weeks. Then, he told me that after the Christmas vacation was over, I should surely become a member of the choir.

After I became a member of the choir, problems came from everywhere. How would I braille all this music? Could I do well as a singer in a choir where everyone read the music? Finally, Mr. Langan solved the problem. Since the pages of the hymnal were much smaller than the braille sheet, and since they were also white, Mr. Langan, used regular typewriting paper, cut to the size of the hymnal, for my braille copies. These sheets were fastened in the book by means of a rubber band, and in this way I could take the music out of the hymnal after I had finished with it.

After more than a year's time, I am still singing in the choir, and I hope to continue for some time. One can gain a great amount of pleasure and self-confidence from such an experience; and taking part in these activities helps blind people, especially, to realize that physical blindness does not mean moral or spiritual blindness. It is this realization that helps in conquering the fear of the outside world.

Raymond Seaver
9th Grade

A PERFECT VALENTINE

The house was decorated with all the gay trimmings of Valentine's Day. Large and small hearts hung on little white ribbons all around the walls and ceiling. Dishes filled with all shapes and flavors of candy sat on the kitchen table. Since the doctor had told Mr. Jackson that he didn't have much time to live, and since it was Valentine's Day, he decided to give a party for all the children in the little community. They would all be together one more time before Mr. Jackson died.

The boys and girls filed in two by two this morning, and Mr. Jackson greeted them all without telling them that it would be the last party he would give. If he told them about the cancer, they wouldn't enjoy themselves. When the party was well under way, Mr. Jackson went into the kitchen to get the refreshments. All of a sudden the house became as still as a tomb. What had happened? He turned and walked back into the living room only to find it empty. It was a long time before he knew what had happened.

A year later Mr. Jackson received an invitation to come to a Valentine party. All the children of the community were giving a party for him, as he had tried to do the year before. He wondered if it was a trick of some kind. Be that as it may, Mr. Jackson attended the party, and here he met his doctor again. Somehow, the subject of last year's party came up and Mr. Jackson wanted to know what had happened. The doctor explained in full:

"You see, Mr. Jackson," said the doctor, "the children made up a collection to pay for the medicine you have been taking. That night before the party, they left the money with a friend who was to bring it to the party. They had intended to give it directly to you, but when all got together they decided to bring it to me and not say anything about it. I took the money and did some research work which proved to be effective. I could have done nothing without the money."

Mr. Jackson owed his life to that group of wonderful children. They had thought of him in time of need. Although they hadn't told him about it, it was the most perfect valentine he could ever receive.

Robert Johnson
11th Grade

PLAY DAY WEEK-END

What! You mean I haven't told you! Why, I thought I had told everyone of our delightful week-end in Illinois. I shall start at the first and tell you all about our trip.

On Friday morning, October 13, Mrs. Traub, Miss Rice, and five of us girls left K.S.B. bright and early to start on our trip to Illinois. This was an exciting event for all of us because we had never gone to another school to participate in any sort of a program.

As the day wore on, we found ourselves riding gaily along, telling jokes, playing guessing games, and singing songs. These are the things that made our day pass by quickly.

That afternoon about four o'clock we found ourselves at the Illinois School for the Blind which is located in Jacksonville. Then is when the fun really began. After we met the girls with whom we were to room, we lounged around until supper time.

After supper we were taken to a concert after which we returned to school for refreshments. We also received gifts. Everyone received a billfold for a souvenir.

The next morning we toured the school and went to the gym for some entertainment. We played some relay games, had a contest and a talent show. After being entertained, we returned to the dining room for lunch.

About 1:30 in the afternoon we visited New Salem Park, the place where Abraham Lincoln met Anne Rutledge. Some of us brought back souvenirs from the Park.

After dinner that evening, we were given a dance by the Illinois School. It was held in their gymnasium.

The next morning we set out on the journey home bright and early. We certainly had a delightful time in Illinois.

Billie Jean Clark

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bids for the two student residences will be received by the State Engineer on April 12, 1951, and the successful contractor will have 150 days to complete the construction of these units. On this basis the buildings should be ready for the children to occupy when they return to school in September 1951.

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Anna Sue Cochran '50, a freshman at Murray State College this year, is one of the eleven members of the first year class to be eligible for the honor society on the campus. Sue turned in three A's and two A-'s for her first term's work.

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Our whole school family was delightfully surprised and pleased when Miss M. Blye Allan returned to her duties on April 1 after a very serious operation and absence since January 1. In addition to her regular classroom work, Miss Allan has resumed rehearsals for the annual student play to be produced by the Dramatic Club in May.

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Arrangements are being made with the cooperation of the John Milton Society to ship several hundred volumes of braille books to the Kagawa Prefectural Blind Institue in Shikoku, Japan. These titles have been withdrawn from our library with the complete change over to grade two braille. We have been informed by the Overseas Service of the John Milton Society that the books are to be used "for supplementary reading by young people in their teens who have a very limited command of English and who are eager to learn more about their world and the democratic way of life. The books will bring great joy to eager Japanese children."

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April 13-14 -- Travel Course for Instructors.

April 20-21 -- Girls' Playday--Raleigh, N.C.

May 5 -- Midwestern A.A.,Track Meet, here

May 12 -- EAAB Track Meet at Philadelphia

May 19 -- Triangular Track Meet--Illinois-Kentucky-Missouri at St. Louis

June 7 -- COMMENCEMENT 8 P.M.

June 9-10 -- Alumni Association Meeting

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NEWS IN BRIEF

ABOUT OUR SENIORS

Name	Nickname	Hobby	Vocation	Pet Peeve	Favorite Saying
Oral	Long John	Athletics	Placement Work	Loquacious Females	"However"
Bobby	Rass	Music	Work -- Any Work	Stupidity	"Wa-wah"
Curtis	El Popo	Radio Sports	Politics	Girls	"Huh"
Jessie	Jet	Collecting Songs	Industrial, then Office Work	Green Beans	"What?"
Beverly	Bev	Collecting Records	Housewife	Storms	"Rats!"

Billie Jean Clark
11th Grade

THE SENIORS

VERSUS THE SLATE

Did you ever stop to examine a slate? It's a funny object, this slate; just a metal guide with cells, a metal clamp, and a wooden board with holes in it. You slip a piece of paper inside the guide, fasten the clamp, and use a stylus (just a piece of wood with a metal point), and you begin to punch dots of all shapes and sizes. It's really an innocent process, you think, but it started everything. Yes, it did. It's the means by which braille was created, so it's to blame for anything that occurred thereafter. You see, you enter the first grade and are given one of these slates, and there you learn to shape these dots into letters. Next you're given a book called the primer, and this is littered with dots, and you are supposed to detect which group of dots forms which letter. This is the alphabet. The primer has punctuations scattered throughout, and this forms a little story in the briefest of sentences. This you master, but just as you begin to be proud of yourself, a new group of dots is thrown your way. These are called signs, and you discover that the alphabet is called grade one, and these signs grade one and a half. Oh well, they're not really hard, and anyway, they're fun. Then comes grade two which is supposed to cut writing down even more, and by now you're writing arithmetic, which is a great triumph in itself. Your education increases, and in the meantime you're enjoying yourself outside of classtime with your friends on the merry-go-round, swings, sliding-board, and see-saw.

Then you move into the "big building", and boy! do you feel proud! But here in the upper grades you take a look at a new object, a typewriter. This doesn't mean that you put away your slate. No, no! You use it for your own personal use, and also inside the classroom. But nevertheless, there looms the typewriter. Here, you find that by pressing on keys and shifting here and there, you get the same results as on the slate except that you must read it with your eyes. So once again you are drilled on the alphabet and learn how to set margins, for this is a most complicated mechanism. You gradually learn how to operate this machine; then the thrill--you may write your own letters home without having to dictate them! This is always a relief.

As you progress, your activities are changing, too. Now dances and shows become your main point of entertainment. Year by year you are getting closer to that diploma, and you think "Oh, it will not be long now." You dream wild dreams about what you will do when that piece of paper is placed into your hands. Ah, but then comes your junior year, and you may choose whether to finish your education at the K.S.B. or to attend a public school. Curtis chooses to complete his education here, Oral and Bobbie attend Hale, and Beverly and Jessie attend Halleck Hall Girls' High. Yes, your class has dwindled in

these years; there are only five of you left. This year is a new experience for those who chose to attend public schools, for they had to learn how to go and come on public transits, because their schools were on the other side of Louisville. You meet new friends, enter stronger competitions, and keep up with the upper half of the class.

Then it comes! The inevitable always comes -- your senior year! It started from punching dots on a slate, and here you are in your senior year. Halleck joins Dupont Manual and goes co-ed, using the latter's name; but K.S.D. is the same, and Male, too, is the same. You? You are beginning to realize that this is your last year. You begin to try crowding into one year all that seemed lacking in the previous ones; but somehow, it just doesn't have enough time. First, Hallowe'en has passed, your last Hallowe'en at the K.S.D. Then, Thanksgiving has gone, then Christmas, and you feel that half a year has been stolen from you, and why? You haven't done anything. That's just it--you didn't do anything, and now it's gone, never to return again. It just isn't fair! While you are wondering what happened to the first half, the second is slipping away, and even faster. First, there's Valentine, then St. Patrick's Day, then Easter, then for those who attend the outside schools, Spring Vacation. What next? There just isn't time enough for anything. Graduation draws nearer and nearer, and you try to recall what has happened to all the past years. You felt secure once, now that security looks dimmer and dimmer. What to do after graduation? Then again for those who attend public schools: Class Day, and school proms, and then just a lapse in time before they become recipients of those diplomas.

With this time on your hands you begin to trace back over the years, and you glance about you at the old friends you've had throughout your school days. You tell yourself, "I don't ever want to lose contact with these boys and girls." Then you take a sidelong glance at the faculty and think once more to yourself, "They're really wonderful, too. I haven't appreciated them as much as I should have. I wish I could show them in some way that their work with me wasn't entirely in vain."

And, Oral, you look back on your great success on the track and wrestling teams; you'll really miss that. Bobby, you'll never forget that you were the first president of the Student Council. If it is a success, the credit can be given to you. And, yes, that wonderful Boys' Club--you formed that, too. Curtis, you are probably the truest K.S.D. ian of us all, for you chose to complete your education here. You will remember being part of the great Boy Scout troop. Beverly, you will look back on that Christmas cantata where you had that beautiful solo. Jessie, you'll always recall those choir picnics and the unexpected trip to My Old Kentucky Home where you had so much fun. Yes, these are just a few of the millions of memories we'll cherish, and as we wish one another good luck to come, we cannot say we are glad it

is over. We would do it again if we only could.

You, Juniors, you think you are looking forward to graduation! Wait! Don't be too hasty! Next year will be here all too soon, and you, too, will be blaming the slate for starting it all. Yes, the slate was the beginning; it influenced us to progress further, but it forgot to warn us that some day we'd be leaving our newly-found happiness and have to start again with some other object as guide. What will it be? Too soon we shall find out, but we shall never forget that the K.S.B. will be responsible for whatever success we may have. Thanks K.S.B. We shall never forget you; just don't forget us, please.

Jessie Doll Brown
12th Grade

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S E N I O R W I L L

We, the members of the graduating class of 1951, hereby make our last will and testament.

I, Jessie Brown, will my interest in baseball and other sports to Billie Jean Clark. I wish her to enjoy sports as much as I have.

I, Curtis Crum, will my locker, the best in our dormitory, to Richard McDowell. I believe he should have it because he complained throughout the past year about lack of locker space.

I, Beverly Damal, do will my ardent school support (Manual) to Ben Robinson.

I, Robert M. Johnson, will the empty coke bottles in our dormitory to Mrs. Solomon. She begged me to give them to her during the year, so now she should have them.

I, Oral Miller, being of sound mind and body, do bequeath my space in the window sill to Jerry Cameron. Throughout the year he claimed there was space in the window between our beds for only his belongings. Therefore, I sincerely believe that he should have all the space -- now that I shall leave.

We sincerely hope that our heirs will enjoy and be able to use the valuable property and habits better than we have used them.

Oral Miller
12th Grade

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FAREWELL

TO SENIORS

"Get me the big, wide world, please."

I'm not much on betting, but I'd stake all I own on this one. The race I'm going to bet on can have a lot of winners, and I already know who five of them will be. How much would you give me for a tip? I thought so. You know who they are, too. Anyone who knows them could tell, couldn't they?

"Hello. I'd like to bet you just anything on the universe that the five seniors who are graduating from K.S.B. this year will win the race for happiness and success. That's all. Thank you."

Just in case you are in doubt, I'll tell you where their starting line is. Oh, I forgot to tell you that the runners in this race can start from any point. Of course, you realize that the finish line is the same for all of them: SUCCESS. Beverly Damal, being engaged, plans to become a housewife. Jessie Brown, a very capable person, hopes to obtain industrial work before getting a secretarial position. Curtis Crum coming from a political family, wants to get into politics; while Bobby Johnson plans to go into business with his brother in his home town of Cumberland, Kentucky. Oral Miller, picking up a stray four-year scholarship, will study at Princeton University. There you have the line-up.

Seniors, as you start toward the finish line, remember that K.S.B. is always cheering you on. As you continue this race for happiness and success, may you win the confidence and support of your observers as well as the guidance and loving care of the Supreme Judge who holds the great stop watch.

Betty Jean Greene
11th Grade

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SCOUT NEWS

The most important event since our last edition of "The Colonel" was the Seneca District Scout Show at St. Matthews on April 27-28. This show was sponsored to demonstrate the different types of merit badges that a scout may obtain for advancement in rank. Everything was exhibited from aeronautics to camp cookery. Troop 10 demonstrated physical development which includes wrestling, broad jump, high jump, and different types of scout games. Troop 10 received a blue ribbon for its exhibit.

Our Court of Honor met recently and advanced eight boys to first class scout and one to second class. It is to meet again soon to give two boys tests trying for first class; and if these boys pass there will be sixteen first class scouts in our troop. These first class scouts make up half the total number of membership in the troop. Over a forty-year period in scouting, sixteen is the largest number of first class scouts ever in the troop at one time.

We shall lose three scouts this year through graduation, namely: Robert M. Johnson, Star Scout, eight years service; Curtis Crum, Second Class Scout, seven years; and Oral Miller, First Class Scout, six years. We sincerely wish these boys all the luck in the world, and may they be successful in whatever undertaking they endeavor.

Due to the difficulty in week-end schedules in the spring, we were not able to go to camp. We hope to change all of our camping trips to the fall when the schedule isn't so crowded with other activities.

We should like to thank Mr. Samuel J. Richie, Scoutmaster, and our faculty advisors for their splendid cooperation in making these articles for "The Colonel" successful.

On behalf of Troop 10 I should like to express our wish for you all to have a very happy vacation.

Richard McDowell
11th Grade

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SPORTS

To be successful has been a part of human nature since the beginning of time. For this reason we scheduled a wrestling match and a basketball game with the Tennessee School for the Blind. In spite of a slow start we managed to eke out a 15 to 10 wrestling victory. However, we weren't so fortunate in basketball. We hoped to avenge last year's defeat at the hands of the Volunteers, but such was not our luck. We, lacking the complete services of Ben Robinson, came out on the short end of a 26 to 20 score. Ray Nelson, with 10 points, was high-point man in our losing cause.

Our next foe in basketball was to be our alumni, the Gray-Beards. Since we had lost three starters of last year, we were afraid that we would have trouble with the old men. As is usually the case, our youth and superior condition won out in the end. Also, our tremendous 170-foot court was a contributing factor to our 25 to 7 win. Ray Nelson, again, was high-point man with 12 tallies.

There was an abundance of pessimism when track season began in April. Many believed that we didn't have enough veterans from last year's squad around which to build a successful team. Such was the feeling when we went into our first meet of the season, the Midwestern Activities Association for the Blind Track Tournament.

Things looked pretty bright for us as May 5th wore on because we were taking a comfortable lead. We really had a reason to shout after the meet was over; we won with 39 points. Kansas trailed us with 12 points, while Illinois and Missouri followed with 6 each. Our cause was sparked by Donald Thomas with 9 points, Ben Robinson with 11, and Oral Miller with 15. Thomas took first place in the three-consecutive jumps; Robinson won firsts in the 50 and the 75-yard dashes; Miller scored firsts in the broad jump, hop-step-jump, and the high jump, breaking the school record of 4 feet 7-1/4 inches by 3/4 of an inch in this last event. Thus ended the first tournament of this sort among the midwestern schools.

The real test, the Eastern Athletic Association for the Blind Track Tournament, was to confront us the next week-end. To the amazement of everyone we scored a total of 24 points. This would not have been so unusual if it hadn't been for the fact that no other team had scored as many. Donald Thomas with 7 points, Oral Miller with 7, and Ben Robinson with 10 sparked our team. Robinson won both dashes, Thomas won first in the three-consecutives, and Miller tied for first in the high jump.

The annual triangular meet with Missouri and Illinois was our next stop. There were a couple of factors which many feared would work against us. In the first place, the hop-step-jump was not an event. Due to a ruling by most of the midwestern coaches, this event was discarded. Also, two new events--rope climb and baskeball throw--were added. In spite of the new events, in which we were comparatively weak, we won the meet with 40-1/3 points. Ben Robinson took firsts in both dashes, Donald Thomas took first in the broad jump and the three consecutives, Oral Miller scored firsts in the high jump and shot put, a new event for him.

So, with the completion of the triangular meet, ended the most successful track season for Kentucky in many a year. Also, this season was the first in which we had the opportunity to compete against both eastern and western teams. We feel that this dual competition has improved our teams very much. Although we lose one track man this year via graduation, we hope that we shall be able to compete as ably in both associations next year.

Oral Miller
12th Grade

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"Y O U N G A P R I L"

Saturday, May 26, 1951, was a busy day at the Kentucky School for the Blind. Why? Preparations were being made for visitors. Who was coming? Why, just about everyone in Louisville. Just Louisvillians? Pardon! There were parents from 'way down in Kentucky who made the trip for this special occasion. What was going on? My! You're uninformed? Then you must be brought up-to-date. The important event was the play, "Young April," given by the Dramatic Club of the K.S.B. Boy! It was really a masterpiece this time! Characters must really have been studied when those parts were handed out. Each person slipped into the character he portrayed as if he were living the part. Certainly, the director must be complimented for recognizing each one's individual talent and casting him accordingly.

If you were unable to come to the performance, perhaps this review will give you an inkling of the story. The play was a three-act comedy by Aurania and William Spence Rouverol called "Young April." The theme of the play, men might say, was to prove "it's a woman's privilege to change her mind," or at least the privilege of young girls.

Young Terry McIntyre was the most popular girl in her vicinity. Proof of this was that she became engaged three times in the play. These brief romances worried her mother exceedingly, for Brian Stanley was the only one who met with Mrs. McIntyre's approval. This prospect seemed the most unlikely, because poor Brian had the misfortune of ignoring Terry after she announced her engagement first to a most impossible, conceited character named Bert Parsons, then to an equally impossible "mother's boy," Stewart Miller. But, perhaps, Brian was the wisest after all, for he above all the others understood Terry; and after patiently waiting was the winner. He had made his mistake in the beginning when he believed Vivian, for it was she who was responsible for the announcement of Terry and Bert's engagement. Of course, Vivian had her reason, for she wanted Brian for herself.

Don't think that Terry was the only one with love troubles. Her brother George had his share, too. His girl, Diane Gilmore, kept him "on the String"all through the play.

The man of the house, Professor McIntyre, had great faith in his psychology that the children could work out all their problems better if the parents would just allow them to do so. This his wife may have believed, but she felt bound to lend a helping hand.

Lula, the McIntyre's colored maid, may have had her own ideas about the situation, but if so she kept them very much to herself.

Before giving individual mention to the performers, recognition must be given to those who so modestly carried out their work like professionals, and who deserve as much publicity as any performer but who do not come before an audience to receive their portion of applause. The director and coach of the play was Miss M. Elye Allen; stage properties were taken care of by Ray Melson and Robert Page; curtains were drawn by Robert L. Johnson; stage setting and make-up was taken over by Mr. Dudley O. Waring; ushers were Ray Melson, Marion Plummer, Robert Page, and Will Evans. Since these skillful performers refused to take their bows, they are given a special round of applause now.

Now is player identification time: Professor McIntyre, Richard McDowell; Mrs. McIntyre, Joan Britt; George McIntyre, Oral Miller; Lula, their maid, Magdalene Parsons; Vivian, Billie Jean Clark; Elsie, Anna Rose Ratliff; Brian Stanley, Jerry Cameron; Terry McIntyre, Betty Jean Greene; Bert Parsons, Robert M. Johnson; Dutch, Ben Robinson; Pete, Raymond Soaver; Stewart Miller, Raymond Randles; Mrs. Miller, Louise Rogers; Mildred, Nevelene Huddleston; Jane, Alma Jean White; Diane Gilmore, Claudia Dotson; friends of George, Donald Thomas, Will Evans, Donnie Adams, and James Rader.

Congratulations, Dramatic Club! It is an honor for K.S.B. to have such talent among our students.

Jessie Doll Brown
12th Grade

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A STUDENT COUNCIL FOR KSB

For some time a student government has been in the mind of our superintendent. This winter has brought it to something of a definite reality.

After surveying and reviewing a number of various systems of student participation in some definite form, a proposed plan was circulated for criticism and suggestions. In due time a tentative constitution was formulated, and representatives elected from the student body accordingly.

The council as elected has proceeded to formulate a permanent constitution which seemingly will not be completed until next school year.

The representatives are: Bobby Johnson, president; Louise Rogers, vice president; Evelyn Willard, James Harvey Robinson, Mason Edwards, Robert Page, Larry Pratt, Will D. Evans, and Tommy Frommel.

The anticipated work and function of the Council can best be fathomed by giving a gist of the proposed constitution, as follows:

Article I. Name - Student Council of K.S.D.

Article II. Purpose - To foster student participation in school activities.

Article III. Membership - One representative from each dormitory.

Article IV. Officers - Senior boy and girl automatically become president and vice president, respectively. Other officers as needs demand. Special committees chosen from the student body with chairman from the council members for temporary business.

Article V. Elections - By ballot of the student body from candidates with at least "C" average and in good standing.

Article VI. Regulation of members

Article VII. Filling vacancies.

Article VIII. By-laws.

Article IX. Amendments.

Article X. Authority of the Council, and limitations.

Article XI. Faculty adviser - Purely such as this is aimed to be a student-run organization.

Mr. Joseph Glus has been selected as faculty adviser, and as the progress of the Council was presented to the student body by Bobby Johnson on May 11th, it looked to be well on its way for an early and effective start in the next school year.

J. S. Barrett

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MR. HALLIBURTON

If you like adventure in all the exciting places of the world, you should read books by Richard Halliburton. In his adventures he puts a little humor so that the most hair-raising experience seems like an everday happening. His style of writing is unique in that he uses the most likable words at the most appropriate places.

Mr. Halliburton was quite a raconteur. He had the power to describe vividly the scenes which he saw in the outlandish places of the world. One of the most beautiful descriptions that I have ever read was Mr. Halliburton's description of a night which he spent in the gardens of the Taj Mahal. He tells of the moon on the marble of the building changing the stone to something above that which man can create.

When Mr. Halliburton was in a wreckless mood, he would do almost anything for excitement. He would not stop with stealing a train ride in India, nor would he stop with going into a town in Soviet Russia. He had to climb Fujiyama in mid-January, and without a guide! This was one of the most daring things that he did in his wanderings.

The experiences of this exciting person make up hours of good entertainment for all people who love travel and adventure. It seems that a man who had some narrow escapes as Mr. Halliburton would have been killed many times, but he was spared for years to give to the world some of its best travel literature. The stories that he tells in his books will live for many years to come.

Raymond Randles
9th Grade

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MY AMBITION

"In the beginning was the Word, and the words was with God, and that very word was God." These were the words from the first chapter of St. John's Gospel which I was studying one day in late May.

"What has this little verse to do with me?" I asked myself. There seemed something in it directed straight toward my life. Why should I be interested in such a quotation?

I decided to remove this thought from my mind, and began thinking about baseball.

A week later, I was sitting at my desk in study hall period, and this thought came to me: "The Word is for you. You are to be a messenger to help spread the Word" I couldn't be a preacher. My ambition was to be a great pianist. After all, I did have musical talent, but my command of speech was very limited, and was apt to stay that way.

I soon found myself praying regularly. My mind began untangling from what seemed a million coils of wire. I was beginning to wonder, "Why am I not suited for the ministry?"

At that time my ambition to become a great pianist left me, and the strong desire to become a preacher became more prevalent. After that, I constantly prayed for divine guidance until my simple desire became a determination.

I do not intend to give up music completely, for the time I am now devoting to it is not idle time. I have so recently discovered, however, that helping others brings more happiness than the name, the fame, and the fortune of being famous could not bring.

This is my ambition. May I fulfill it to the best of my ability.

Raymond Seaver
9th Grade

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THOSE STRENUOUS SHOPPING TRIPS!

It is strange how women will go shopping no matter what the weather. It is quite interesting to stand apart from the crowds downtown, and watch the stream of shoppers go by. How they ever stand it I don't know -- all that hurry, scurry, pushing, crowding, bumping into other shoppers, murmuring a quick apology, and then hurrying on their way to look at that darling dress in Macey's window the next-door neighbor told about. You come home at night and tell your poor dear husband how tired you are after such a strenuous day. The fact is you should have stayed home and cleaned out the hall closet. What have you to show for the day's shopping tour? Oh, you bought a new hat. You proudly display it before your husband, and he asks "Where is the hat?" You cram the bit of feathers and ribbons back into the hat box, and go off and pout a little. You guess you will never understand men. The new dress you bought doesn't look as it did in the window at the department store. Oh, your aching feet! It is time to call it a day.

A few days later you decide the slip-covers are becoming faded, and you must have some new ones. So off you go again! The bus is so crowded you cannot find a seat; those gossipy women stand in the middle of the street and won't let a body get by; the clerk behind the counter is talking with her girl friend, and doesn't seem to notice you are standing there with your arms full of bundles, patiently waiting for her to get back to her job. It seems the sun is getting hotter every minute. The display windows are lovely and inviting, but soon it gets

monotonous and your head starts to whirl. It is good to get back home again and just relax.

Jean Krahwinkel
10th Grade

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"WUTHERING HEIGHTS"

"Wuthering Heights" is a romantic novel of the early 19th Century, by Emily Bronte, whose theme is the effect that one person can have on many people.

I could not attempt to tell you in detail how the story runs, but I have divided it into five parts, the first being life at Wuthering Heights when Catherine was a child. The second section was at Thrushcross Grange when she married Edgar Linton, and lived her frustrated life there, for she really loved Heathcliffe. The third part begins with the death of Catherine and the blooming of the new flower from her death. The third part carries through the life of Cathy, and her growth from childhood until Linton comes to them; then it goes to Wuthering Heights. This situation begins the fourth part. This section affected me most, because we see her here in full bloom and watch her fade. The fifth and final part lasts from Linton's death to the end of the book. We see Cathy completely faded and dull and gloomy, like the people she is with, until the friendly relations she has made with her kinsman, Hareton Earnshaw, improve her.

I have never before been so affected by any book I have read. I didn't like it, but I loved it. I loved with the people in it, and hated with them. Indeed I lived with them. When Catherine died it hurt me as much as if I had lost one of my own relatives. I hated Heathcliffe with all my heart, and could have killed him. I think it is horrible how one man can ruin the lives of so many; yet I know that it is true, and happens every day.

I didn't think that I should like the book when I started it, because everyone who had read it before me told me that it was awful. And indeed it is, but I was enthralled by it. If I were sure all the books I read would be so interesting, I would be reading all the time.

Robert M. Johnson
12th Grade

Note: The above article is a reprint from "The Spectator", the Hale High School paper. Robert is the only K.S.B. student attending Hale who has had an article in that magazine, and we are proud of him.

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K E E P I N T U N E

The members of the Piano Club, along with the girls of the 10th and 11th grade domestic science classes, left school Sunday afternoon, May 27th, for a tour through My Old Kentucky Home. We learned some very interesting things which are not, as a rule, stressed in history books. After leaving the grounds of this historical sight, we thought it might be worth our while to go down the highway a few more miles and see Lincoln's cabin, the one in which Lincoln lived from the time he was two and one-half years of age until he was eight. In My Old Kentucky Home wrought-iron gates in each doorway prevent visitors from entering the rooms and handling the furniture and antiques; but in Lincoln's cabin nothing stops you, and you are allowed to examine all objects closely. Being filled with spirit of travel by this time, we decided to go to the Lincoln Memorial which was only nine miles down the highway. Here we saw the reproduction of the cabin he lived in at birth. Going up the hill to the building were fifty-six steps, one for each year of Lincoln's life. Here also we saw the family spring, a hole about six feet in diameter and eight feet deep. The water flowed from an aperture in the wall of the cliff. Intentions for a forty-mile tour turned out to be, in the end, a seventy-mile exploration.

We have received several letters in regards to our articles in THE COLONEL. We wish to thank all who have taken part in our correspondence campaign. A letter which traveled the greatest distance came to us from a former graduate of the school, Mr. Robert Gardner, from Brooklyn, New York.

Robert M. Johnson, our senior tuner, has tuned eleven pianos for the public and has helped with about twenty-five tuning jobs on our school pianos.

One May 29th, each member of the tuning club gave a short talk in chapel on some part of the piano. We opened and closed our program by singing the club song, lyrics written by Mr. S.J. Richie, our teacher, and sung to the tune of the Army's "Fight Song".

Until November, when our first issue of THE COLONEL for the next school year will be printed, our club wishes to say to your club, "Keep up the good work, have a very nice vacation, and we'll see you next year."

Curtis Crum
12th Grade

Robert Johnson
11th Grade

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PLAY DAY WEEK-END

Early Thursday morning, April 22, eight girls, along with Mrs. Traub as driver, set out for the State School for the Blind in Raleigh, North Carolina. The girls from the Schools in Virginia, West Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Kentucky were to participate in a Play Day there. The day looked rather pessimistic with a few threatening clouds overhead, so we kept our fingers crossed until the sun came out. We arrived at Middlesboro, Kentucky, about six o'clock in the evening without much difficulty.

After a good night's rest, but not much sleep, we began our trip again -- this time with more promising weather. The scenery furnished endless interest for us, so the day passed rather quickly, and we were all out for North Carolina School for the Blind, where we received a royal welcome from everybody.

Once out of the station wagon, we were served supper on the lawn and then ushered to the auditorium. There we were given a general idea of the program to follow on Saturday. The time soon came to go to bed, and for once nobody raised any objections.

Saturday morning we went out to the ball field where we joined in relay races, ball throwing, and horse-shoe pitching. Following these events, we went to the gym for rope jumping and folk dancing. Kentucky girls did fairly well in the relay races and horse-shoe pitching, but we won't discuss ball throwing and rope jumping! Although we made several blunders in the folk dances, they were a lot of fun and we enjoyed them.

After a hearty lunch we were driven to Durham, North Carolina, to go on a tour of Duke Gardens on the campus of Duke University. The scenery there is just too beautiful for words! That place is an artist's paradise!

The Play Day ended with a dance given in the gym. Punch and cookies were served for refreshments. The boys certainly showed their southern hospitality because they kept us busy all the time. Admiration for the girls must be expressed, too--they couldn't have been more generous with the boys! They're all a swell group of kids! The wonderful time and the many friends we made will long be remembered by all who were privileged to go on this trip.

Returning to Kentucky was much the same as going, the one difference being that we encountered quite a heavy fog which delayed our trip considerably. Oh, yes, we mustn't forget the little detour to Renfro Valley and Fort Harrod. These two attractions added a great deal of interest and entertainment to our escapade -- as if we needed anything else!

We had a really wonderful time, and to all who made it possible we should like to say a great big "Thank You" -- both to Mr. Langan and to all the hosts and hostesses of the North Carolina School for the Blind.

Joan Britt
11th Grade

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A VISIT TO THE KENTUCKY LOOMS, INC.

On May 22nd the girls of our Home Economic Class visited the Kentucky Looms, Inc.,226 W. Main Street, in Louisville. When we entered the building, we were taken downstairs to the basement where approximately twenty-five looms were being operated. The first thing we saw was the threading of the loom. This could be done with a much greater speed than we had ever realized before. Of course, since they work at this day after day, they would naturally acquire greater rapidity and accuracy.

Since we had never seen any type of loom except the hand loom, we found the automatic loom very interesting. We were quite surprised when we learned that from seventy-five to one hundred yards of material could be woven in an eight-hour working day. The looms, with the exception of the shuttle, are run entirely by electricity.

The bobbin winder, which also was run by electricity, could wind several spools of thread at one time. When the spools were filled, the machine automatically cut itself off. This process is done similar to the threading of a bobbin on the sewing machine.

This company weaves mostly hand scarves, stoles, and baby blankets.

None of the regular dyeing of the material is done at the plant; however, they have their yarns especially dyed.

This plant has been in operation for only ten years, but much progress has been made.

Since we are greatly interested in weaving in our Home Economics Department at School, we enjoyed this trip immedsely.

Madgalene Parsons, 11th Grade | Claudia Dotson, 10th Grade

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VISITING CISSIE GREGG

(COURIER-JOURNAL)

The girls' home economics classes visited Cissie Gregg's Home Economics Department in the Courier-Journal Building, Tuesday, May 29th. We found Cissie Gregg a very delightful person to talk to, and her work very interesting.

The kitchen is well furnished with modern equipment, having both an electric stove and a gas stove. Miss Gregg explained that in experiments in cooking it was valuable and helpful to know the outcomes by using both types of stoves. They also have a new Shelv-a-dor Refrigerator and a large freezer, and an electric disposal unit.

On this particular day they were experimenting with strawberries, the work being done for articles for next year's strawberry season.

All preparations are made and photographs taken far ahead of time. For instance, by the first of November everything is in readiness for Christmas, and work has been started on articles needed for New Year's. There is quite a story behind each colorful photo that appears in the Photo Magazine of the "Courier-Journal" every week: where the recipe came from, how this particular dish originated, why it was used, etc. One entire wall of the studio was lined with the pictures of food that had appeared in the Photo Magazine in the past months. We were shown, also, the studio where the photographs are taken.

Other people's questions and ideas keep Cissie Gregg's department working and experimenting along new lines. She is in much demand of other food authorities and housewives.

The experiments and uses of frozen foods, cooked or uncooked, proved quite interesting. But one of the nicest parts of our trip was the big platter of cookies baked expecially for us. We ate as many as we could, and brought the rest back to school with us!

Jean Krahwinkel
10th Grade

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MAMMOTH CAVE

On Decoration Day, Wednesday, May 20, the Chorus Club went to Mammoth Cave. We left immediately after lunch, traveling in our school bus.

We did not spend much time in the cave because we reached it shortly before the guides quit work; however, we went at least a quarter of a mile back. Some of the interesting things we saw were a blind fish, some monuments which have been put up by different people who have visited the cave, and the leeching vats, which were used during the War of 1812, to extract nitrates from the dirt in the cave to be used in making gunpower.

This giant cave was discovered by a bear hunter in 1799. It was formed by water wearing away the limestone. There are five levels, the lowest being 260 feet below the earth's surface. We entered the only natural entrance to the cave on the second level, and went down 119 feet. There are seven entrances, but six are man-made.

As we neared the cave, the air became noticeably colder. The guides informed us that the temperature in the cave remains 54° F. the year round.

We saw the branch of the cave which led off to the Corkscrew, and the guides told us about the Snowball Dining Room which is in the cave, and also about Echo River which is on the lowest level of the cave. There is a possibility that some day there might be a sixth level due to the action of the water. The longest tour is the seven-hour one, during which most of the truly notable points are seen.

Although one hundred and fifty miles of the cave have been explored, there is still a part which is unknown. The huge park above the cave contains 53,000 acres.

Shortly after we returned from the cool cave into the warm sunshine of the May day, we ate our picnic supper in the park. Not long afterwards we started back to school, thus ending a most unforgettable outing.

Louise Rogers
10th Grade

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NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the 3rd of May, 1951, work started on the two student residences written up in the last issue of THE COLONEL. The actual beginning of work on these buildings presented a number of problems during the last weeks of school. Biggest problem was for the children to leave their posts of observation in time to get to classes without being late! Bulldozers are fascinating! Temporary fences have been installed around the projects to protect the children against any danger but at the same time allow plenty of room for the amateur foremen. Everyone on the campus is looking forward to the completion of these additions to our plant and we hope that we will have the best of homes away from home for our students next year.

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In June, 1951, the first edition of a new magazine in our field made its appearance. The International Journal for The Education of the Blind will be a "quarterly publication of methods, techniques, and research for teachers and workers in the field of the visually handicapped". The need of such a professional publication in our area of special education has long been recognized and it is the hope of school men and teachers that the Journal will meet their demands.

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On April 12-13-14, 1951, a regional seminar was held at our school to offer instruction in independent foot-travel to teachers of other schools planning to introduce such a program. Eight teachers were enrolled in the course representing the following schools: Iowa, Missouri, New York State, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Western Pennsylvania. Mr. L. P. Howser, Principal of the Kentucky School was the director of the course.

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Starting out from scratch in athletics six years ago our boys have taken many discouraging defeats. But hard work and persistence finally paid off this year with the crowning of the Kentucky track team in winning the "grand slam" of the East and the Midwestern tournaments. This is probably as close as any of our schools will ever be able to come to claiming a national championship. In taking the two big meets our boys topped the teams of the following schools: Perkins, Overbrook, New York State, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina in the East; and Kansas, Missouri, and Illinois in the Midwest. In addition to this, the Kentucky boys won the annual triangular meet with the Missouri and the Illinois boys held at St. Louis this year. The Eastern meet was held in Philadelphia, and the first Midwestern meet was held in Louisville. Congratulations are certainly in order for this outstanding achievement by all of the boys and their coach, Mr. Wendell Lykins.

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No better way could be chosen to close this issue than to acknowledge the scholastic record Oral Miller has accomplished this year. Not since Josephine Jackson lead her class at Atherton High in 1928 have we had a student make the tops of the class in a public school. Oral is the 1951 valedictorian of Male High with an average of 96.08. Oral's reward for such a splendid record has been a $5600 scholarship at Princeton University, where he will begin his studies in September, 1951. Oral is not a "book-worm"; he has also been an outstanding member and captain of both the track and the wrestling teams. For the past three years he has had a leading part in the productions of the Dramatic Club. Such a student carries with him the best wishes of the whole faculty, staff and student body as he goes forward to bigger things.

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IN MEMORIAM

On Monday, October 1, at 10:20 A.M., Miss M. Blye Allan passed away. Being a student of the K.S.B., I know what the school has lost with the death of Miss Allan, for she went beyond her duties of teaching and helped the students as much as she could.

Miss Allan came to teach at the K.S.B. in 1906, her first position being in the kindergarten. Then as time went on she taught arithmetic, reading, and physical education. During World War I Miss Allan took some of the students to Camp Taylor to entertain the troops stationed there.

On each May Day, during her years as physical education instructor, Miss Allan presented programs for the public. She gave plays like "Cinderella", after which the students danced around the Maypole. Miss Allan spent hours making flowers for these plays, and in helping with the costumes.

Helping her students was one of Miss Allan's joys. She gave prizes to children who could say the multiplication tables backward; and the best reader in a class received a ribbon. She always took time to decorate her classroom with posters and pictures. If one of her students wanted her to go to town to shop, Miss Allan gladly went. A few years ago she thought it would be a good idea to pack boxes for needy people, so she asked students to bring articles from home to put in these boxes. Then she went to the grocery and bought candy, fruits, and other foodstuffs to help fill the packages. Then, a few days before Christmas Day, these boxes were delivered.

About ten years ago Miss Allan started the Dramatic Club. Many long hours went into operations of this club. Sometimes after the rehearsals of the plays, when everyone was tired, she treated all the members to soft drinks; and after the play had been given, she gave a party or took the members of the club on a picnic.

During her forty-five years of service at K.S.B. Miss Allan did everything she could for the students and for the good of the school. She will be remembered for a long time. I am sure that I speak for every student when I say that this school has suffered a great loss. Although she is no longer with us, she still lives in our hearts.

Raymond Randles
10th Grade

EDITORIAL

Perhaps we Americans, as a nation, have more to be thankful for this Thanksgiving than any other nation of the World. We should make this Thanksgiving Day a day of sincere gratitude for the numerous blessings and privileges which we have enjoyed during the past year.

America has been free from armed attack. When we remember that fighting has been raging in some nations, we realize that this is certainly something to be thankful for. Americans can go to bed at night with no fear of being rudely disturbed by soldiers.

Perhaps one of the greatest blessings we enjoy is the right to attend the church of our choice. Because this has been part of our conception of liberty ever since we have been a nation, we take this freedom for granted.

Friends, who make our lives more worthwhile by their presence, are among the greatest riches man possesses, and should be placed high on our list of reasons for thankfulness.

The home and school are essential institutions in our lives. The love, comfort, and knowledge found within them cannot be bought at any price. Have we not ample reason, therefore, to be thankful for these two vital factors?

Finally, we have the world we live in to be thankful for. How valuable are the experiences gained in this world, and how numerous the opportunities which come to us daily of helping others along the road to success!

This Thanksgiving can be one of the most joyous ever known if we are sincere and hearty in our thanks for the prosperous years behind us. It is a good idea to let Thanksgiving be only a beginning. What could be finer than to continue being thankful every day throughout the coming year?

Louise Rogers
11th Grade

HONOR ROLL

(First Marking Period)

Larry Hutson
Elsie Willard
Tommy Frommel
David Murrell
Raymond Randles
Raymond Seaver

Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Alma Jean White
Joan Britt
Billie Jean Clark
Robert Johnson

Magdeline Parsons

Good Effort: Charles McDowell
Lucille Huddleston
Nevelene Huddleston

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

The fifth grade health and science class has spent the past few weeks studying about foods. We have learned that there are many types of foods. We have also learned how these various foods affect the workings of the human body. In connection with this study of foods most of the class has signed a pledge to "help keep my teeth sound and clean." The boys and girls of the fifth grade, who signed this pledge, are doing all that they can to keep their teeth as healthy as possible. Would you like to join with us in this pledge?

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

Since school opened in September, we have had several programs in chapel following the regular morning devotional. To begin with, Mr. Howser, our principal, read us several articles from the daily newspapers. These are usually about current events, and about vocations for the blind; but he also has given us some of the leading basketball statistics.

The primary department gave us a Hallowe'en program on Wednesday, October 31. This program included recitations and songs; and the little folks performed so well one could almost feel the presence of the witches while we listened! We are certainly indebted to all the teachers and the children of the kindergarten and the first four grades for a most interesting entertainment that day.

During the week of November 12 through 16, Mrs. Judd, one of the piano teachers, had several of her pupils play piano pieces after the chapel exercises.

On Tuesday, November 20, the primary department again entertained the student body. This time they presented an excellent Thanksgiving program, which consisted of a play about a Thanksgiving dinner with all the characters of the nursery rhymes.

It is hoped that there will be many more such interesting programs given in the future, for we all enjoy the variety of these performances.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

With the arrival of the present school term comes another active season for our music department. There are four organ students this year, in addition to the larger number of piano pupils, as the case invariably is with us.

We have had the opportunity of attending a number of interesting performances during the past few weeks. To begin with, Dr. Alexander McCurdy, of the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia, presented an organ recital at the Baptist Seminary on September 23. The recital was given to dedicate a set of Carillonic Chimes recently given to the institution, and therefore the program featured compositions exhibiting these bells.

The Albeneri Trio performed at the Little Playhouse on Belknap Campus on Friday evening, October 26. They played compositions by Schumann, Mozart and Schubert.

A group of our students was among the privileged few attending a closed recital by the Mezzo-soprano, Jennie Tourel, admission being by invitation only. The concert took place in the Woman's Club Auditorium, on November 6, at 8:15 P.M.

On the following evening, November 7, we enjoyed the Louisville Orchestra's first subscription concert, in Columbia Auditorium. Featured was music by Heinrich, Mendelssohn, and Poulenc, with the World premiere of Villa-Lobo's commissioned work, "The Origin of the Amazon River."

George Szell and the Cleveland Orchestra appeared at Memorial Auditorium on November 10, in a concert of music by Berlioz, Haydn, Strauss and Beethoven. This was the first in the Community Concert Series, with four other attractions scheduled for the current season.

To conclude this account of the musical events attended, a group of students heard Pee Wee King and his Golden West Cowboys play at the Masonic Home on Hallowe'en night.

Our mixed chorus will present its annual Christmas program shortly before we leave school for the Christmas holidays. The cantata, "Petite Noel", which was presented in 1947, is again to be sung this year, along with a number of somewhat unfamiliar carols.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

S P O R T S

The K.S.B. varsity wrestling squad has been practicing daily for the last four weeks. Our first meet this year is with the Bloomington, Indiana, High School at Bloomington on the night of December 11. We are trying to schedule many more meets for this year, some of them to be on our home grounds in Louisville. Jerry Cameron, senior, and Ben Robinson, sophomore, have been elected co-captains of this year's K.S.B. wrestling squad. These two boys have been joined by another dozen boys in daily workouts. Let's all give our support so that they may come through to a victorious season. In past seasons, the school has had some hard defeats, but this year we think it will be a little different. We hope to get even with some of the schools that have walked over us in former matches.

On November 4 the K.S.B. had its annual game of Kick-Football with the alumni. The "old men" made it two in a row by defeating us 12 to 10, but it wasn't without a fight from start until finish. By taking this game the alumni have won three out of four games, with the school's only victory in the fall of 1949. We hope to change the whole story next year.

It has been the custom of our school to play basketball as a side-line sport during wrestling season. As usual, we will have three games with our alumni. It is possible that our team will journey down to Nashville this winter to have a wrestling meet and a basketball game. It is hoped by most of the students that more basketball games will be scheduled this year.

All in all, we expect to have a fine season in all sports. We may win or we may lose, but you can bet your last dollar that every boy will be in there fighting with everything he's got. School spirit is higher in the student body than ever before, so how can a team lose with all the backing we're going to have?

Jerry Cameron
12th Grade

S C O U T N E W S

On Friday morning, November 16, Mr. Langan announced in chapel that the Lions Club had given Troop 10 enough money to build a modern log cabin on our campus. The cabin will be large enough to house one scout patrol and their equipment. It will have a kitchen with a refrigerator and other kitchen utensils. We deeply appreciate the Lions Club remembering Troop 10 in this manner, and we are sure that our boys will use the cabin to the best advantage.

On October 5, a Kentucky patrol consisting of six scouts was scheduled to leave for the Scout Jamboree in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, but due to Mr. Richie's sudden illness the trip was called off. The same group of boys was chosen to go to the Illinois Jamboree on October 27-28, but this trip was postponed because some of the other participating schools could not send their patrols at that time. This jamboree is now scheduled for some time in April.

Troop 10 has not been to camp since the opening of school because we have been too busy with other week-end activities at K.S.B. We hope to do some camping in the spring, however, so that some of the younger boys will be able to put into practice what they have learned.

We registered twenty-four scouts in October, and we hope to have ten new members by Christmas. At that time we shall also have a Star Scout, Robert L. Johnson. Jerry Cameron and Richard McDowell hope to be Star Scouts by Scout Anniversary Week.

Our troop is still saving waste paper to sell, the money derived from these sales being put into a school fund for trip expenses and for other items for the benefit of the school. Troop 10 also has charge of the concession stand, which is doing well at the present time.

District Commissioner Snyder came out on Thursday evening, November 15, to have our troop inspection. All of our boys in uniform received 100% rating. The others received good grades. Commissioner Snyder seemed to be pleased with the inspection. Mr. Robert Weber, who is a camping director, accompanied Mr. Snyder. Both men are old friends of the troop.

There is a movement in scouting to persuade boys, who for various reasons have left their troops, to rejoin the organization. Our goal is four.

We have gone above the quota in our Christmas card sale this year. This money will pay the dues of our registered scouts, and it will also provide for the ten new members. The annual Christmas party will be given on Tuesday before the holidays. One of the prizes will be a ten-pound box of candy.

Richard McDowell
12th Grade

GIRL SCOUTS

On Saturday, September 21, the girls formed a scout troop, known as Troop 233. With the leader, Miss Grace Webb, and assistant leader, Mrs. Evelyn Steed, they are progressing rapidly. Meetings are held each Saturday from three to four-thirty o'clock. During this time the business is taken care of, and games are played; and while the weather permitted, walks were taken on which they learned something about nature.

On October 17 the girl scouts had their investiture service. Each girl received a tender-foot badge, making her a member of a national organization.

Four of the girl scouts had the honor of being guests at the Crescent Hill Women's Club, where they sang and had lunch. The troop is planning to visit this club again before Christmas to entertain the members with the singing of carols.

Because the troop is so very young, there have not been too many activities, but we promise that you will hear more about this new organization in the future.

Alice Napier
10th Grade

C L U B N E W S

CHOIR CLUB — On September 27, the Choir Club held its first meeting of the school year. At this meeting Richard McDowell was elected president, Louise Rogers became vice-president, Alma Jean White took up the duties of secretary, and Robert Johnson was chosen for treasurer. Jerry Cameron became chairman of the program committee. Thanks and congratulations to him and the two girls who so ably assisted him in planning the dance given in the auditorium on November 3.

DRAMATIC CLUB — Everyone was deeply saddened by the death of Miss M. Blye Allan on October 1, and especially the members of the Dramatic Club. For a number of years Miss Allan was director of the club, devoting much of her time and energy to it. The loss of Miss Allan is great, but we are fortunate in having Mr. William Mootz to take her place as director. We have not had a meeting yet, but we hope to get under way very soon.

Louise Rogers
11th Grade

SENIOR CLUB — After a month of school this year, all the seniors met to form a club. We have several projects for the future, the main one being to give a party for the small girls and boys. We feel that because all the clubs formed are among the older students, the primary department is slighted a little. Officers elected in our club are Jerry Cameron, president; Louis Knipp, vice-president; Joan Britt, secretary; Neveline Huddleston, treasurer; Magdalene Parsons, chairman program committee.

GOOD-WILL CLUB — Taking over where Robert M. Johnson left off last year is Jerry S. Cameron as leader of the Good-will Club. Jerry is doing a fine job with the youngsters. The idea behind the club is to keep the small boys occupied with something they like to do but do not have the opportunity otherwise. They are making fine progress, and every member enjoys himself immensely. The young boys and girls are the backbone of our nation, and since it must be strong any effort to keep them happy is well-used indeed.

TUNING CLUB In behalf of the Tuner and Service Club of K.S.B., I wish to say a great big "hello" to our fellow clubs. We hope that you, as well as we, will strive for better ways and means to do things in any field of tuning throughout the coming year.

At the present time our club has only eleven members, but there are four would-be members awaiting Mr. Langan's decision on their schedules. We had quite a difficult time getting everything settled this year.

On Monday, November 5, we had our first meeting of the year. Plans were made for a meeting to be held at least once each month. I was elected as president and editor of the COLONEL article.

I, Robert Johnson, am the senior tuner. To my credit so far this year are all the practice pianos in our school building, plus five pianos tuned for Louisvillians. As has been stated in previous articles, the senior tuners tune pianos for the public.

Our objectives are similar to those we had last year--the upkeep of school pianos, to encourage the study of music, etc.

We would like all club members and anyone interested to write us: Inform us of new clubs being organized; ask for or give information; or just for the sake of correspondence and keeping in touch with other clubs. Letters can be addressed to me or to the club in general.

Robert Johnson
12th Grade

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STARRING ON TELEVISION

During National Education Week the members of the home economics class of the Kentucky School for the Blind had an opportunity to appear on WHAS TV. This gave us the thrill of our lives, for it was our first time to take part in this type of program. Of course, much preparation had to be made before the show, but each one was successful in doing his small assigned part.

The day that Marian and Sam Gifford had invited us to appear on their show was Monday, November 12. Each was at his place and ready to begin his work immediately at two o'clock. As the cameras moved from one person to another, various kinds of handwork could be seen. Every phrase of home economics was presented. In Marian Gifford's kitchen two girls were busy demonstrating their technique in preparing coffee cake. After the show was over we gathered in the kitchen and enjoyed eating the cake. There we became better acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. Gifford.

The purpose of this appearance, and of shows other school children presented throughout the week, was to show the parents how their children participated and responded in their classroom activities.

A few days later Mrs. Gifford phoned and expressed her appreciation and to tell us that she was sending us a turkey. We thoroughly enjoyed preparing the turkey with all the trimmings -- and eating it! With the help of Mrs. Barrett, our domestic science teacher, our turkey dinner at her home proved to be an outstanding event in our calendar.

Neveline Huddleston
Magdalene Parsons
12th Grade

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

OCTOBER'S BRIGHT BLUE WEATHER

October's bright blue weather rains down a blissful peace that none of the other months possesses. The silver or bright blue sky above us, and the rich colors of brown, yellow, and scarlet leaves fluttering down from various heights, make us feel as if the world is in a playful mood. The grasses over on the hillsides are changing from a deep green to a brown to harmonize with the red and golden apples that they catch. Oh! What has happened to the cornfield? Why, little brown tents have been made out of the stalks and scattered over the field. The little tents have already received a visitor. Yes, big roly-poly yellow Mr. Pumpkin is resting at one side of them. We hear, standing out like a high soprano in a choir, the distant twittering of a little bird possibly on his journey southward. We hear a "clittering" of the active leaves racing over the ground, and look down to see that we are surrounded by a beautifully colored world. We realize now that this cheerful month is just preparing us with all this joy for the long winter ahead.

Alice Napier
10th Grade

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DESCRIPTION OF AN OCTOBER DAY

An October day is one of the happiest days of the year. As one rises from his bed early in the morning, he experiences a wonderful feeling which cannot be expressed merely by words. The cool morning air, the smell of fragrant flowers, and the rustle of the leaves are especially fine during this glorious month of October.

Our day becomes even more beautiful when we see the noon-day sun overhead. We hear the falling leaves playing accompaniments to the wind's merry song. Everything seems to say, "Let us rejoice now that October has come." Then we see the sun going down, and our bright October day is almost ended. The birds hush, the leaves discontinue their rustle, and everything is still. Night has come and all is peace.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

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AN OCTOBER DAY

Early one bright October morning, I decided to go for a walk in the forest. As I moved along, I noticed how cool and refreshing the air was and how delightful and warm the sun felt. The sky was deep blue, and the birds were calling to one another as they went on their annual journey to the south.

As I neared the forest it seemed as if a thousand spirits were whispering to one another high among the branches of the trees. In reality, it was only the rustling of the leaves in the playful little wind. There was a carpet of red, gold, and brown leaves on the ground. As I passed along, the leaves beneath my feet crackled. I walked slowly admiring all the wonders of nature. It seemed as if I were the only person observing these beautiful scenes unfolding into a magnificent panorama. The farther I went the lovelier the picture became.

Slowly I began to wake up to reality. I knew that I must leave the beauties of nature and return to my daily life. I wished that I could stay there forever. Regretfully I turned my steps homeward. I believe that I shall never see anything so lovely as an October day in the forest.

Raymond Randles
10th Grade

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A CHICKEN THIEF

One night in May when everyone was in bed, my dad heard the chickens squawking. He got up and went out on the porch to see what was wrong. Sure enough there was someone reaching up in the tree where the chickens were.

Dad went into the house and got the gun and crept back outside. The thief reached up again and as he did, my dad said, "Reach up there again and you'll pull back a stub." The thief did reach up again but this time a roar that shook the still night brought him down.

The next morning my dad and my two big brothers followed a trail of blood and found our cow with buckshots all in her face. When they came home and told us, we knew that what we thought was a thief was only our cow reaching up to get the blossoms off the tree.

Martin Sutton
9th Grade

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NOVEMBER'S BLEAK GRAY WEATHER

November is here; the clouds hide the sun,
As if imitating the dress of a nun;
Upon the brown earth the fallen leaves lie,
The somber, bare trees stretch their branches on high.

The sullen, green waters in stormy rage toss
Like turbulent spirits sustaining great loss;
The chill, hollow blast of the biting north wind
Strikes the spirit with awe that can't be defined.

But though a wild tempest be raging without,
At a warm, cheery fireside friends gather about,
The one bit of comfort in all the grim scene
When stern and relentless November is queen.

Louise Rogers
11th Grade

ACTIVITIES

School opened this year with several new members on the faculty. They have all adapted themselves to their jobs quite well and now seem to us an essential part of K.S.B.

Mrs. Ollie Keenon, housemother to the smaller boys, is originally from Harrodsburg, Kentucky, where she worked at Mercer General Hospital. "I've never done any work like this before," says Mrs. Keenon, "but it doesn't take long to learn what's what from a group of youngsters like these."

The new housemother to the larger boys, Miss Louise Grote, came from Ormsby Village where she worked for several years as housemother to the boys there. "I was impressed from the very beginning by the friendly atmosphere here," said Miss Grote, "The boys are all most cooperative -- almost too cooperative for boys their age." Just give them time, Miss Grote, they're always on good behavior around a new supervisor --- but you won't be new much longer!

Mr. Charles Avenengo, a northerner from New Jersey, joined our faculty this year on a part-time basis. He is here in the afternoon and evening as a counsellor to the larger boys. Mr. Avenengo is a junior at U. of L., where he is studying political science. When asked what he planned to do after college, he replied frankly: "My ambition is to become an influential politician." Well, good luck, Mr. Avenengo, I know Mr. Truman won't mind turning his office over to you.

Mrs. Eva Hayes hails from the mountains of Floyd County. She teaches the fourth grade and conducts the girls' gym classes. She says in her friendly, home-town accent: "I like my work fine, because all my students are so easy to work with." You really must be good, Mrs. Hayes, if you can say that about a group of energetic fourth-graders.

Mrs. Roy Haynes is teaching the third grade this year. Although she is a new member of the faculty, she isn't a stranger to us, as her husband has been teaching here for some time now.

Mr. Bill English, a graduate of Cornell College in Iowa, joined our staff as athletic coach and part-time teacher. Maybe some of you ladies who need to reduce will be interested to know that Mr. English has the boys on the wrestling team in fine shape. He's really keeping the weight down and they aren't starving themselves either. Nice going, Mr. English. Keep up the good work.

Miss Gleah Blaustein, psychologist, joined our staff for one year. She is working on her internship at the Mental Hygiene Clinic which is under the direction of the University of Louisville. Miss Blaustein is here doing some research work on the blind. She is interested in finding a solution to some of the major problems which blind people encounter.

The last, but not least, of the additions to the faculty is Mrs. Marcella Lindsey, R.N. Mrs. Lindsey is a very efficient and capable person. When asked how she likes her job, she said: "I've always liked children; and since I've been here, I've become very attached to the K.S.B. group." We think you're great, Mrs. Lindsey, and you are certainly doing a swell job!

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Former students and friends of the school will be interested to know that the Superintendent has been invited to represent the United States at a UNESCO meeting in Paris, France, December 10-12. Representatives from fifteen countries have been asked to the meeting to advise the Director-General on the creation of a World Braille Council.

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Our graduates continue to qualify for top positions in our work in other areas outside our own state. Maxine Bates received a Civil Service appointment in September as proof reader at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

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Fire of undertermined origin destroyed the Boy Scouts' Refreshment stand in the rear of the main building on November 27. No fire reached the school building but the exterior of three windows did receive damage and some water damaged resulted from a discharged sprinkler head. We were fortunate that the fire was not more serious.

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Our music teachers, Mrs. Judd, Mr. Hobbs, and Mr. Mootz together with Miss Wash attended a three day regional meeting at the Missouri School for the Blind in St. Louis in October. This was the first such conference held for music teachers and plans have been made to continue the discussions at other schools.

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Mrs. Traub, our field worker, attended a meeting in Boston at the Perkins Insitution in October for the discussion of mental tests and measurements. This was also a regional meeting with teachers from several schools participating in the program and discussions.

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Oral Miller ('51), our scholarship student at Princeton University, has been out for the freshman crew during the fall months. As far as we know, this is the first time a blind student has attempted to take part in this sport in college.

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The new student residences are nearing completion and should be ready for the beginning of the second semester.

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The annual Christmas vacation this year will begin at the close of school on Thursday, December 20. The children will return to Louisville on Wednesday, January 2, 1952, with classes starting on the following day.

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CHRISTMAS CANTATA ——8 P.M. —— Tuesday, December 18, 1951.

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EDITORIAL

BETTER SPELLING NEEDED

Too frequently, business employers receive letters of application which are not well recorded. The applicant is sent a letter a few days later which tells him the job is not open to him. Why is this?

In this technical age too much emphasis is placed on technical "know how", and not enough emphasis is placed upon literary subjects such as English and spelling. Too many of our elementary students pass on through high school and do not know how to spell. Is this the fault of the teacher, or should the blame go to the students?

Our public schools have too many large classes, and sometimes the textbooks aren't quite as good as they might be. Are poor grammar and spelling the fault of the teachers? Not entirely, for when a teacher has a class of twenty or thirty students to contend with - especially primary students - there is quite a problem. In such cases the teacher cannot possibly work as much with each individual student as she would like to. The things we need are better textbooks, better schools, and smaller classes if possible.

In the education of the visually handicapped, a good means by which spelling can be taught is by the typewriter. In this way, the visually handicapped student cannot use word signs as he does in braille. Everything must be written as it is spelled..

In spelling, too, there is the problem of phonics. Misspelled words are caused by mispronunciation. If students were taught to spell by "sound", there is the doubt that the majority of misspelled words would not occur. If this plan is carried out, there will be more employment, and industry will be bolstered one hundred per cent.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

HONOR ROLL

(Second Marking Period)

Tommy Frommel
Raymond Randles
Raymond Seaver
Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Billie Jean Clark
Nevelene Huddleston
Robert Johnson
Magdalene Parsons

(Third Marking Period)

Elsie Willard
Tommy Frommel
Raymond Seaver
Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Billie Jean Clark
Nevelene Huddleston
Robert Johnson
Magdalene Parsons

Charles McDowell
(Good Effort - all 1's)

(Fourth Marking Period)

Bobby Barnes
Raymond Randles
Nevelene Huddleston
Robert Johnson
Alma Jean White
Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Billie Jean Clark
Joan Britt
Louise Rogers (all A's)

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

Since the last issue of "The Kentucky Colonel" went to press, we have had quite a few treats in our chapel programs. On Wednesday, December 19, the cottage children under the direction of Mrs. Judd, gave a Christmas play entitled "Christmas Gold." They were assisted by Louise Burkhart, who took the part of an older sister. Donnie Smith played the part of a little boy who had a gold ring for his mother, and the action centered around gift wrapping. This was interrupted by Christmas carolers who came to give a program of carols and poems, all learned in Mrs. Black's first grade. The plan was to correlate music with other subjects, and this play was a very successful one in this respect. Let's have more!

On Tuesday, January 22, Mr. Royappa, worker for the adult blind in India, told us many interesting things about the manners and customs of his country. Mr. Royappa had been in our country several months and had traveled extensively during that time. He was here under the auspices of the United Nations Fellowship Organization to study the methods of training the blind in the United States.

Mr. Langan on the morning of January 28 told us about his trip to Paris for a UNESCO meeting. Although he had returned a month earlier, this talk had been postponed because K.S.B. students attending the city high schools were able to be present at our chapel exercises that morning. Mr. Langan told us how he had taken a British ship from New York to Liverpool, England. There he observed the people were quite sad because of the scarcity of commodities and foods. He quoted one Englishman: "We have less now than we had during the war." In France, Mr. Langan noticed the attitude of the people was quite different, and they seemed to go about their business as though nothing had happened. The building which had been used as the German headquarters during the last war is now being used for UNESCO's building in France.

On Thursday, February 7, the Boy Scouts took charge of the chapel program, this being their first activity for Boy Scout Anniversary Week. Then on Wednesday, February 27, Mr. Richie, our Scoutmaster, and Donnie Adams, Billy Stanley, and Raymond Seaver told about visiting the State Legislature in Frankfort.

"Warrior's Song", played by Raymond Randles, and "At Morn", by Raymond Seaver, were the piano selections chosen for the morning of Friday, February 8. Everyone seemed to enjoy this short program.

During the week of February 11-15, Mrs. Judd featured several piano students. These were Bobby Barnes, Elwood Miracle, James Harvey Robinson, Doris Page, and Elsie Willard. Special mention should be made concerning Elsie, for on Wednesday and Friday of that week, she played both the hymn and the patriotic number. On St. Valentine's Day, Louis Robinson and Wanda Jean Coogle sang a Valentine song.

The K.S.B. Tuning Club had charge of the chapel program on Thursday, March 13. Mr. Richie, tuning instructor, and eight members of the club sang the opening hymn, "In the Sweet By and By"; and Raymond Randles read the Scripture lesson. The program then started with the club song, "Keep in Tune", after which each member told a little about the tuning of pianos. Donnie Adams demonstrated the tuning of one tone. It was all interesting and instructional.

We are looking forward to a great deal of entertainment from our Clubs and from our promising young "artists", and we are confident that the programs will be even better in the future.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

On Tuesday evening, December 18, our chorus presented a very successful Christmas program consisting of "Petite Noel", a cantata sung here some years ago, along with a group of carols. This was, in many respects, the finest performance our choir has yet given.

Although it is still somewhat indefinite, our choir has been planning a trip to Renfro Valley. Numbers have been prepared for participation in both the Saturday night broadcast and the "Sunday Morning Gathering" program.

The Louisville Concert season has proved to be a very fruitful one. In the Community Concert Series, performances by the great Brazilian pianist, Guimar Novaes on November 29; Yfrah Neaman, violinist, on January 21; the noted American singer, Eileen Farrell on February 7; and the Robert Shaw Chorale on March 11, were attended.

Our students enjoyed the Louisville Orchestra's Subscription Concerts of January 9 and March 5, the Chamber Music Society's presentation of the New York Quartet on January 12, and the Budapest String Quartet on February 23.

A new activity in school is the formation of a Male Chorus, coached by Mr. Hobbs. The smaller boys are instructed on Wednesdays, while the older boys have their turn on Fridays. Perhaps, in the near future, these two groups may be consolidated into one organization.

The music department is presently engaged in preparing the music for the spring recital and the subsequent commencement exercises.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

As usual, scouting at K.S.B. has been moving smoothly. We hope to have thirty boys pass merit badge tests by the end of the term. Eight boys are trying for the Citizenship Merit Badge, four of whom went to Frankfort on February 25 to learn how the Legislature is conducted. The scouts visited the House of Representatives where they heard discussed a bill giving large cities the right to annex smaller surburban areas located around them. The meeting was very interesting and the boys gained much from it. Eight boys who are trying for the Safety Merit Badge are planning to visit the City Hall on Saturday, March 15, to learn exactly how the department is operated. They want to learn what the safety program does toward the prevention of accidents.

Troop 10 has twelve boys trying for advancement and four new ones coming into the troop. Those up for advancement include two for Star Scout, two for first class, and eight for second class.

We followed our usual custom of having a daily activity during Scout Anniversary Week. Troop 10 received a blue ribbon for its window decoration during that time.

A recognition program for advancement in 1951 was held at Manual High School on February 28. Robert Johnson, a member of the K. S. B. troop, was recognized for having attained the rank of Star Scout; and Mr. Richie, Troop 10 Scoutmaster, was recognized for being in scout work longer than anyone in Louisville. All members of his troop offer Mr. Richie thanks and congratulations for his thirty-nine years of scouting. Our troop was recognized also for three other achievements; Advancement in 1951, its part in the "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty Movement" and for getting over its quota of boys in last fall's "Buckskin Round-up."

We still have hopes of sending a group of boys to a Scout Jamboree in Illinois May 2-4. We intend to take part in this activity if arrangements can be made with five other schools.

Richard McDowell
12th Grade

GIRL SCOUTS

It might seem strange to go back as far as the early part of Christmas for news in this article, but so much has occurred since the last number of our school paper was published, we want to mention all the activities now, and thank again all the clubs, scout troops and members who entertained us and were so generous with their gifts.

On Tuesday afternoon, December 18, Mrs. Knopf entertained K.S.B. Troop 233 by giving a party for us at her home on Vernon Avenue. Mrs. Knopf is a member of the Crescent Hill Woman's Club, sponsor of our scout troop. Mrs. Knopf, being an accomplished accompanist, made our song-fest afternoon most enjoyable. We were pleasantly surprised when refreshments were served, for in an ice cream "snow ball" (made to look like this because of the cocoanut covering) was a red candle which we lighted for a short time. It was beautiful to see, and better to eat! The Woman's Club presented each scout with a beautiful neck scarf, a box of facial tissues, and a folding scout toothbrush on which was engraved the official emblem.

Troop 136, from Emmett Field School, and with Mrs. Miller as leader, sent Troop 233 a dozen aluminum cookie cutters in the shape of the Girl Scout emblem. We appreciate this gift, and we hope to make use of them soon -- perhaps we can make our own cookies for our next party!

On Friday, February 15, the Girl Scouts of the K.S.B. attended a Valentine party given by Troop 41, at their rooms in the Christ Evangelical and Reformed Church. Mrs. Marquess is their leader, and she had some of her girls put on a skit for us. We played games, learned some scout songs, and had a wonderful time, naturally. After refreshments, we exchanged valentines.

The K. S. B. Girl Scouts have been working on merit badges, and we are also learning new games during our Saturday afternoon meetings. Miss Steed, one of our leaders, is now living in Florida, so this leaves Miss Grace Webb as our only leader. But with her pep and enthusiasm, who would want more?

The nation wide Girl Scout Cookie Sale was held on Saturday, March 8, and our troop took an active part. In the morning, in an hour and a half, we sold eight cartons of the sandwich cookies, and that afternoon we delivered several more. Including all the boxes sold in our school (about sixty), Troop 233 made a record of selling approximately twenty-one cartons.

Troop 233

A TRIP TO FRANKFORT

On Monday evening, February 25, at 6 P.M., a group of scouts crowded into the station wagon for a trip to Frankfort. The group consisted of Billy Stanley, Raymond Seaver, Donnie Adams, and Raymond Randles, accompanied by Mr. Richie, Scoutmaster, and Mr. Howser, who drove. This group of scouts is working towards a citizenship merit badge, one of the requirements being to visit a local branch of government in action. The State Legislature was chosen.

The trip to the capital city was uneventful. We arrived about forty minutes before the Legislature met, so Mr. Howser drove to the old capitol building. The building was closed, and we were obliged to explore the grounds only. Among some of the historical sights we saw were the place where Governor Goebel fell when he was assassinated, the tree in which the fatal bullet lodged, and the office building where the assassins were hiding. We also admired the tall elm tree under which the Kentucky governors have taken the oath of office for one hundred years.

It was nearly time for the Legislature to assemble, so we drove to the Capitol Building, and by the time we reached the galleries overlooking the chamber in which the House of Representatives meets, quite a large number had already taken their places. The meeting was opened with a roll call, and, there being one hundred members of the House, this took considerable time. One bill was brought up and quickly voted on; but when the Annexation Bill was brought before the House for discussion, delay (plus confusion at times) resulted because many speakers voiced their opinions on this subject. This bill was put away for further consideration.

The procedure in voting on a bill is to call each member's name before he gives his vote. Because many representatives stand and expound for five or ten minutes before voting, much time was taken needlessly in this part of the business.

Another bill introduced to the House was the one pertaining to the shooting of all dogs that do not have licenses, with policemen getting a two dollar bounty on each dog shot. This was discussed, voted on, and then put aside.

When one of the members of the House made a motion that a fifteen minute recess be called, we made our departure. The return trip to Louisville was made in a short time, and we arrived at K.S.B. about 11 o'clock, thus ending a most enjoyable and entertaining evening -- to say nothing of its educational value.

Raymond Randles
10th Grade

CLUB NEWS

CHOIR CLUB — The Choir Club has had little activity since the last issue of "The Kentucky Colonel." We sponsored a Valentine Party for the student body and all staff members who wished to attend. Activities would have been greater had not so many members been ill during the past month.

SENIOR CLUB — Speaking in behalf of the Senior Club, I should like to express our appreciation to the Alumni Association for presenting us with our class rings. This group has been instrumental in giving all graduates, for the past few years, beautiful rings engraved with the dome of our building. The name of the school is encircled around the dome, and the student's initials and the year of graduation are on either side. With the rings came a box of candy, also; then as a valentine present each senior received a bottle of cologne and another box of candy. For all these fine gifts, we want to say "THANKS" -- the worded form of appreciation, but which isn't half enough.

Illness has taken two members from our club. Magdalene Parsons has been in Kosair Crippled Children's Hospital for several weeks, but we hope to have her back in the near future. Louis Knipp is now recuperating from a long illness, but it will not be long until he will again join our ranks. He has been missed by all his classmates.

TUNING CLUB — The Tuning Club has been fairly quiet this year. We have had our regular monthly meetings, and on several occasions have had a guest of honor, one of whom being Mr. Marshall Parks. After working for several years at Shackleton's, one of Louisville's leading music stores, he had valuable information to impart. We are proud of Marshall. He was a former student at K. S. B., learned tuning and put it to good use, and is now a fine example of what can be accomplished by the blind.

Each member of the club plans to make a talk in chapel on a certain phase of piano tuning. This program is for the purpose of teaching students who are not in tuning classes to do their part in the care of our school pianos.

Robert Johnson
12th Grade

DRAMATIC CLUB — This year the Dramatic Club, under the direction of Mr. William Mootz, is presenting "The Late Christopher Bean", by Sidney Howard. What are your chances of becoming rich? Could you afford to burn valuable paintings? This comedy tells of the fortunes and problems of the Haggett family and their maid. We are learning the parts now, and hope to have all the lines memorized soon.

PEP CLUB

Not much has been said about the Pep Club, but it really is a flourishing organization. If you have been in the building from 8:30 to 9 o'clock some Tuesday night, you probably became aware of the existence of this club. Billy Stanley is president, Jerry Cameron vice-president, and Joan Britt secretary-treasurer. Mr. English and Mr. Richie are the faculty advisers. This club was formed so that we could learn new cheers and create a cheering section which could help yell the wrestlers and track men on to victory. Louise Burkhart, Flonnie Howard, and Donald Thomas are the cheerleaders. We are now having a contest to see who can make up the best cheer. We hope to get many new ones in this way.

On January 26, the Pep Club sponsored a dance, which was held in the auditorium. It was arranged in a night club fashion, with a very interesting floor show. We should like to thank Mr. English and the program committee for the splendid work they did in planning and arranging this dance.

Although there will not be any more athletic competitions for a while, the Pep Club will still be busy preparing for the track season. We are confident that much more will be heard from and about our club then.

Louise Rogers
11th Grade

THE FOUR SHARPS

On January 15 four girls -- The Four Sharps -- were asked to sing at the meeting of the Woman's Club of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. This group of girls, consisting of Louise Burkhart, Flonnie Howard, Alice Napier, and Elsie Willard, was formed after they were heard singing "Beautiful Brown Eyes", and since that time they have had several occasions to entertain at different clubs. Their first opportunity came when they were invited to sing at the Crescent Hill Woman's Club; this was followed by their appearance on TV on December 16, when they were guests on "High Variety" program; and now, their most recent program, was given through Mrs. Langan's interest in them. Since it was not possible for The Four Sharps to remain for the entire club meeting, they were first on the program singing "My Wild Irish Rose", "Just a Closer Walk with Thee", and "My Best to You." Each girl was presented with a beautiful box of delicious assorted chocolates.

The Four Sharps

PLAY DAY WEEK-END AT M. S. B.

This year the annual play day week-end for Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky was held at the Missouri School for the Blind, on November 30 through December 2. The five girls who participated were Alma Jean White, Louise Rogers, Magdalene Parsons, Nevelene Huddleston, and Joan Britt.

We began our trip early Friday morning with just a touch of pessimism. Somehow the picture of Missouri still covered in all that snow kept running through our minds. However, when the sun began to shine and we couldn't find a cloud in the sky, we realized that this pessimistic attitude was wholly uncalled for. We couldn't have had prettier weather if it had been made to order especially for the occasion!

We arrived at M.S.B. without any calamities late Friday afternoon. Each girl was given a guide for the week-end. We had met several of the girls from Illinois and Missouri at the other two play days, so we weren't total strangers to one another.

After supper we went to the movies and saw "Here Comes the Bridegroom." The picture was a scream! Following this we attended a reception where each of us was given a beautiful head scarf with a map of Missouri printed on it.

Saturday held a number of exciting events, first of which was a tour of the building. This was particularly interesting because a new wing has been added to the main building. Included in this wing were new living quarters, a music department, a wonderful new push-button kitchen and home economics department, and a number of recreational luxuries.

After completing the tour of this students' paradise, we went for a swim in the new pool. The Kentucky girls enjoyed this activity very much because our school does not have a swimming pool. Later, after lunch, we spent an hour in the new gym. Miraculous as it may seem all of us actually skated on our feet! This must have been our lucky week-end!

I'm afraid all of us suffered a few bad moments when we learned that bowling was to be on the agenda for this play-day weekend, for not one of us knew the first principle about the game. Before we left for Missouri, however, we went to one of the bowling alleys here in Louisville to get a general idea of the game. We owe a vote of thanks to Miss Schneider, one of the few bowlers on our staff, who showed us the fundamentals of this game. At least, we knew how to pick up a ball and

how to hold it! And we learned enough about the foul line and the length of the alley so that, when the time came to bowl that Saturday afternoon in Missouri, we were a little more at ease than we would have been. As it turned out, we didn't feel too inferior after all!

This wonderful week-end came to a close with a talent show in which all three schools participated. Three prizes were given, and Kentucky won first place. We sang "Tell Me Why", and then ended the program with "So-Long, It's Been Good to Know You."

The success of this week-end was made possible by several members of the staff to whom we wish to express our sincere appreciation for their cooperation: Mr. Langan, who makes these trips possible; Mrs. Traub, our driver, who seemed to enjoy the swimming and skating as much as we did; Mrs. Hayes, the girls' gym teacher, who accompanied us; Mrs. Kirn; gym teacher at M. S. B. who had charge of the play day; and Miss Wilson, girls' housemother at K. S. B. who took such an active interest in helping the girls with their dresses and costumes for the trip. To you and to all others whose tireless efforts to make certain that we had a good time and were successful in our sports and games - - we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Joan Britt
12th Grade

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

SUSAN

When Santa Claus flew into town on December 9, Mrs. Santa Claus came too and brought her daughter Susan with her.

Mrs. Santa Claus announced that she would give Susan, a big doll, to the writer of the best letter asking for the doll. The letter must be from a handicapped girl, and she must tell what she was doing to overcome her handicap as well as why she wanted Susan.

Three girls from our English class wrote to Mrs. Santa Claus. Patty Wheeler was the lucky one. She was awarded Susan. Donna Dyer and Udell Useen received consolation awards of pretty, but smaller dolls.

One day Patty brought Susan to class. She is two feet tall. Her dress was made of red velvet trimmed with white fur. On her wavy blond hair she wore a red velvet cap with white fur around the edge and a bunch of it on the top.

The Jefferson County Playground and Recreation Board, headed by Mr. C. J. Vettiner, is the organization which sponsored the contest through which Susan was given to a handicapped girl. A committee from our class has told Mr. Langan that we would like to take part in Mr. Vettiner's Christmas Caravan next year and give gifts to some of the people whom the Caravan visits.

Larry Hutson
5th Grade

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WE GO AND SEE

"The Ohio River is very unclean," our teacher in health class told us. "It would be dangerous to drink it."

"But does not the water we use come from there?" we asked. "If it is so dirty, why does it not make us sick?"

On January 16 we visited the water works to find the answer to our question -- and we learned some other things, too.

This community uses about sixty million gallons of water every twenty-four hours. It flows from the pumping station at the river to the reservoir in Crescent Hill through a pipe five feet in diameter. If that pipe emptied its water onto Frankfort Avenue, it would make a nine inch deep, swiftly-flowing stream as wide as the street from curb to curb.

In the reservoir purification begins with what Mr. Keyer, our guide, called mechanical sedimentation. That means some of the mud settles to the bottom of the reservoir. Next, it goes to the coagulation basin where alum is added. The alum unites with particles in the water and forms gelatine-like balls which sink. This process tries to take out of the water those substances which give it a bad taste. Mr. Keyer said that no chemicals actually are present in the water we drink. The bad taste that some people complain of is already present and the chemicals could not destroy them all.

People also complain that the water is too hard. Lime and soda ash are put in to soften it. In well water there are about two hundred particles of magnesium to the gallon. The lime and soda ash cling to the magnesium and all three remain where they are. The water that runs from our faucets has about eighty-five magnesium particles to the gallon left.

The water next goes through the filters. A filter is made of sand and gravel and pebbles. Filtered water is very clean indeed. We looked down a deep well of it and could read the words "filtered water" written on the bottom.

For final purification chloride is added. The water is tested for harmful as well as harmless bacteria. The amount of chlorine used depends on the amount and kinds of bacteria. In twenty four hours after the big pipe pours its steam into the reservoir, the water is ready for us to drink.

The reservoir is divided into two parts -- north reservoir and south reservoir. One part is cleaned at a time. The water is drained out and a scraper pushes the mud to the center, then a cap is lifted and the mud is washed into the sewer.

The reservoir is cleaned every two years, but the filters are cleaned every few days. The most exciting part of our trip was watching them clean a filter. Emery even helped! He will tell you what he did:

"I turned a valve and opened the sewer. Then I turned the 'rewash' valve. That let the water come in with force enough to wash all the mud down into the sewer. It sounded like a waterfall. You could hardly talk above the roar. After a while I cut off the water and took a hose and cleaned off the pipes. Then I turned in more water."

We like lessons where we can go and see for ourselves the answers to our "why" questions. We shall not forget the importance of pure water and what it takes to make it so.

The Sixth Grade

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Burt Boyer
5th Grade

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E F F O R T

My teachers criticize me
And say I loaf and shirk.
I'd do great things to show them --
Except it's so much work!

Shirley Parker
6th Grade

O U R F L A G

When I'm in school,
I like to think
That high above our trees,
The American flag --
Red, white, and blue --
Is flying in the breeze.

Shirley Parker
6th Grade

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S P R I N G

March is the month when spring comes 'round,
The happiest time of the year,
When flowers spring from under the ground,
And everything's bright and clear.

Spring is when the leaves turn green,
And the sky is blue above,
When birds of every kind are seen
And we hear their songs of love.

Spring brings the wind that blows through the trees;
We hear the brooks babbling low;
We feel the touch of the soft spring breeze,
And through the sunshine we go.

Spring is the time of laughter and song,
When hearts should be light and gay,
And we should be happy all day long,
And just let trouble pass away.

Spring is a dreamy time of the year --
We never tire of its hours,
But look forward to spring's bright cheer,
And the sunshine and the flowers.

Louise Rogers
10th Grade

SOCIAL ADJUSTMENT

At the beginning of this semester, a special activities period was added to the morning schedule. One of its main features is the Tuesday and Thursday sectional meetings, when classes called "Social Adjustment" are held. The students are divided into six groups, known merely by letter - A through F.

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The fifth and sixth grade girls meet with Miss Scoggan. We are learning how to introduce people and to be tidy in appearance. We are also learning to sit and stand properly so that our bodies will grow straight. When we are settled in our seats, our teacher goes around and checks our finger nails. While she is doing this, each one sits with head up, chin in, shoulders back, and feet flat on the floor. We have learned a poem "Your little Map", which tells us that everything we do and say and even think can be like a map, showing others just what we really are. So we must be careful!

The guidance group for the seventh and eighth grade girls meets with Mrs. Barrett. Discussions have centered around the book, "Tell Girls Why", by Helen Blackwelder, dealing with such subjects as good health, personal appearance, honesty and good behavior in relation to our moral and social contacts.

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In Section E, composed of tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade girls, we have discussed growth in personality, one of the main topics in this relationship being "Voice." We are reading and discussing some of the sections in the book, "Personality and School", by Walton B. Bliss, and we find it quite interesting and helpful. We have learned that the majority of people have physical and mental hurdles to overcome, and that these <u>can</u> be surmounted; and the chapter on "Personal Morals", including lying, cheating and stealing, our responsibilities, moral values, etc. gave us an insight into our behavior in everyday relationships. When we do not have reading or discussions, time is put to good use in the handling of money. Making the correct change after an imaginary purchase of, let us say, fifty-nine cents is made, is not as easy as it at first appears. Too many of us wanted to give pennies when we should have returned nickels! We want to thank Mr. Langan for giving us his time during one of our first meetings. He spoke to us about the requirements expected of office employees, for some girls in our group are interested in this phase of work. We feel that we shall accomplish much in this period under Miss Schneider as the year goes on.

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The boys in the fifth and sixth grades, with Mr. Mootz as their guidance leader, are known as Section A. We have been learning about the telephone - the different exchanges, how to make an emergency call, how to save money on long distance calls, etc. We also have talked about personal cleanliness.

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The seventh, eighth and ninth grade boys compose Section C. Topics such as cleanliness, personal appearance, social gatherings, and most of the problems of a teen-ager are discussed. The boys are privileged to join in the discussion, ask questions, or make suggestions which would better the class. Most of the boys get some of their personal problems solved in this way. Mr. William English very capably conducts this class.

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Group F includes all the boys in the sophomore, junior, and senior classes who do not attend public high school. We have been discussing topics such as cleanliness, church obligations, and how to keep the boys under sixteen years of age from smoking. We have a president, Raymond Randles, and a Secretary, Raymond Seaver. Mr. Howser is our teacher, and he makes these classes beneficial to everyone in the group.

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On Monday mornings during this "special activities" period the entire student body goes to Hymn Singing under the direction of Mr. Mootz. Hymns we know only fairly well are reviewed, and new hymns are learned. This session is beneficial to all of us, but especially to the new students in school and to the younger boys and girls who are in our building for their first year. All the hymns we sing during these Monday periods are sung in the morning chapel exercises.

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This same period sees much bustling and hustling on Wednesdays and Fridays. Some girls who do not have typewriting as regular classwork use this time for a "brush-up" course. Similarly, boys who have no other shop period get a chance to learn something about handicraft, while other boys have more opportunity to work on their particular projects. A few of the girls are ambitious in the sewing room, putting in extra time on their projects, and the fifth and sixth graders are learning handwork for the first time under Mrs. Barrett. There are two special singing groups, too — one with Mrs. Judd and one with Mr. Hobbs. In the former are three altos and three sopranos who enjoy singing together. So far they have learned three songs, and later they hope to give a program in chapel. Mr. Hobbs conducts the male chorus to whom he is teaching popular tunes, semi-classical selections, and folk songs.

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(Contributions to the above articles were made by Nevelene Huddleston, Shirley Parker, Larry Hutson, Tommy Frommel, Raymond Randles and Raymond Seaver.)

S P O R T S

At the beginning of the year everyone at K.S.B. expected to have a wonderful wrestling season. With our new coach, Mr. William English, we believed the wrestlers could uphold the high records set by the track team, but it did not turn out that way. Our team suffered more injuries this year than ever before, and an epidemic of flu also kept several boys out of needed practice.

The first meet was on December 11 with Bloomington High School. Since everyone had a clean slate, all were quite anxious to start the season off on the right foot. At first it seemed that K.S.B. would win an easy victory, but the last three matches were lost by close scores, and we lost -- 19 to 16.

K.S.B. had two close meets with Mater Dei High School, of Evansville, during the season. On their home floor the Hoosiers won out 21 to 19, but the Kentuckians snapped back winning the second 14 to 11. We are looking forward to meeting Mater Dei next season for some more hard fought matches.

Our first meeting with other schools for the blind was in a triangular meet with Missouri and Kansas, held at St. Louis. This was the best triangular meet that has been held in many a year because the winner was not decided until the last matches. The boys from Kansas finally won with 47 points, Kentucky was second with 44, and Missouri was third with 42.

Our boys then journeyed to Little Rock for another triangular meet with Arkansas and Oklahoma. This meet, like the first, was hard fought all the way, with Arkansas winning with 29 points. Kentucky had 27, while Oklahoma scored 24.

The Kentuckians found their stiffest competition of the season in the Mid-Western Tournament which was held this year at Kansas City, Kansas, on February 29 and March 1. A strong Iowa crew swept the meet with Arkansas and Oklahoma close behind. The boys from K.S.B. undoubtedly made their worst showing of the season, losing most of their matches and winding up on the bottom. By unanimous vote it was decided that Bruton (103 lbs.) from Arkansas and Creek (154 lbs.) from Iowa were the toughest wrestlers faced by our team this season. Iowa who proved superior in the Western tournament was voted the best team. We had a wonderful time on our visit to Kansas City and are looking forward to a return trip at some future date.

Since our school is located between the east and the mid-west, it has been our custom for the past few years to attend the eastern tournament as well as the mid-western. On March 7 and 8 our boys took part in the eastern tournament which was held at Baltimore. The Virginia team which is always strong, took the meet, with Perkins of Boston, on their heels. Although our showing wasn't superior, we improved a great deal from the week before, and wound up a solid fifth. We had a wonderful stay in Maryland, and we wish to congratulate that school on the management of the tournament.

Now that the wrestling season has come to an end, all eyes have turned to the coming track season. Although we are going to miss the services of Oral Miller and Ray Melson we are hoping to continue our winning streak and stay on top. We feel it is impossible for us to slip as long as Donald Thomas and Ben Robinson live up to past records.

Jerry Cameron
12th Grade

LETTER TO THE ALUMNI

Dear Alumni:

We, the graduating class of 1952, wish to express our sincere appreciation for the class rings you so generously gave us. We think they are the most beautiful rings a graduating class could ever have. We couldn't be prouder of them!

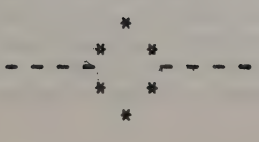
May we also take this opportunity to congratulate you on the selection of your new president? In our opinion you couldn't have chosen a better person than Mr. Richie. He makes an equally wonderful faculty advisor for the Senior Club, too.

Thanks again for our class rings. They are a treasure that we shall always value because they came from you.

Very sincerely yours,

The Graduating Class of '52

Joan Britt
12th Grade



Since our last edition of "The Colonel", there has been a new addition to the faculty. Mr. Jack Lane, from Syracuse, New York, is assistant to Mr. Avenengo, who is supervisor of the larger boys. Mr. Lane takes over on the week-ends so that Mr. Avenengo can have a chance to "recuperate."

Mr. Lane is a sophomore at the University of Louisville. He is majoring in English. When asked if he planned to become a writer, he said, "Oh, everybody dreams of writing the great American novel, and I guess I dream as much as the next person."

Mr. Lane was immediately well-liked by the boys -- and the girls! He has very successfully made a place for himself in our school. For a Yankee he says he likes Louisville fine and particularly K.S.B. Thanks, Mr. Lane, we feel the same about you.

Joan Britt
12th Grade

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our readers will be interested to know that by the time of the next issue of "The Colonel" all of our students will be moved out of the old main building and well established in the new student residences. With the addition of these buildings to our campus, it was felt that we should have names for all of the various units instead of referring to them by the age group of the children housed in them. Former students will be happy to know that the names selected honor the memory of devoted workers in the interest of our school. The new boys' residence will be dedicated as Huntoon House, and the residence for girls will be named Merwin Hall. At the same time our primary cottages will be formally identified as Patten Cottage and Allan Cottage. Mr. B.B. Huntoon was one of the outstanding men in the field of education of the blind and was Superintendent of our school and the American Printing House for the Blind from 1871 until 1912. Miss Susan B. Merwin his successor was Superintendent of the School and the American Printing House for the Blind from 1912 to 1923. Mr. Bryce M. Patten was the first Superintendent of the School from 1842 to 1871 and was also the first Director of the American Printing House for the Blind. Miss M. Blye Allan was a faithful teacher and friend of all blind children and adults and a member of the staff from 1906 until her death in 1951. These four persons spent their lives teaching blind children and together represent an accumulated total of more than a hundred years of service to the school. It seems most appropriate that their devotion should be commemorated in this manner.

Plans are well under way for the biennial meeting of the American Association of Instructors of the Blind here at our school on June 29 through July 3. It was in 1880 when this convention was last held at our school. It also will be only the second time that a joint meeting has been held with the American Association of Workers for the Blind. The Workers will hold their meetings here in Louisville at the same time with the Brown Hotel as their headquarters. Present reservations indicate this will be the largest meeting in the history of our work. The program committee hopes to have Vice President Barkley deliver the principal address at the opening joint meeting on Sunday evening, June 29. The sectional meetings of the instructors this year will be conducted on the workshop or clinic type of session.

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Our wrestling team this year must have set some sort of record though not the type won by our track team of last year which carried off both the Midwestern and the Eastern trophies. During the past three months they have traveled approximately 3400 miles, extending from Kansas to Maryland and from Arkansas to Indiana to meet a total of sixteen teams. Two of the teams represented public schools while the other fourteen were schools for the blind.

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April 19 - Triangular Track Meet here - Illinois -Kentucky -Missouri
May 2- 3 - Scout Camporee - Illinois School for the Blind -Jacksonville
May 2- 3 - Girls' Play Day - West Virginia School for the Blind -Romney
May 3 - Midwestern Association Track Meet - Texas School for the Blind - Austin
June 1 - Student Concert - 3 P.M.
June 4 - Commencement - Kentucky School for the Blind - 8 P.M.
June 11 - Commencement - Atherton High School
June 14-15 - Alumni Association Meeting
June 29-July 3 - American Association of Instructors of the Blind Convention here

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TO OUR SENIORS

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BILLIE JEAN CLARK

BETTY JEAN GREENE

NEVELINE HUDDLESTON

ROBERT L. JOHNSON

RICHARD H. McDOWELL

ANNA ROSE RATLIFF

NEWS IN BRIEF ABOUT OUR SENIORS

Name	Nickname	Favorite Pastime	Ambition	Favorite Saying
Billie Jean	"William"	Music	To be a: Linguist	"How ridiculous"
Robert	"Big"	Tinkering with radios and talking books	Disc Jockey	"All right, listen"
Betty Jean	"Ready Betty"	Boys	Comedienne	"I'm so tired and so weary."
Jerry	"Dog"	Gabbing	Millionnaire	"More than likely"
Neveline	"Nib"	Hand-work	Home Ec. Teacher	"Hey!"
Richard	"Moby Dick"	Eating	Own his own business	"Scrounge"
Anna Rose	"Cat"	Sleeping	Housewife	"Ah shucks"
Joan	"Joanie"	Dramatics	Successful Banker	"Did you ever"

Joan Britt
12th Grade

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FAREWELL TO SENIORS

To the graduates of 1952, we extend a sad but proud farewell. We feel that we have a right to be proud of this class, for each member of it has certainly brought honor to this school. Seniors, we hope that you will attain similar high honors in your various careers.

Joannie, we wish you all success and happiness that life can give you in your new work, and in everything you do in the future. If you continue to be the outstanding person that you have been throughout your school years here at K.S.B., you can't lose. By the way, Miss Britt, if you should get into a tight squeeze, just bring out that shining personality that seems always to run around with you. That will lick the craftiest character.

Billie Jean, we wish you all possible German and music in life, which, in other words, is happiness for you. Seriously, Bill, we hope you go through college with flying colors, and we are confident that you will be one of the very best of K.S.B. representatives in the field of higher education.

Robert, time is one thing you can always be sure of with that beautiful braille watch you carried away after graduation. We want to congratulate you for winning this award, and we feel that you will always be the fine citizen you were in school.

Richard, we know that you are proud of winning that dramatic prize. One thing certain, our Dramatic Club will surely feel your absence. Wonder who will be the "victim" for the role of father next year? We hope you will be very happy in your work, but please, when you become a millionaire, don't forget us.

If everything turns out for you, Betty, as it did at Bell High, you will be "painting the clouds with sunshine." We are glad that you had the opportunity to spend your senior year with your parents and friends, but we heartily welcome you back to Louisville. We hope the mountains didn't get the best of you!

Nevelene, you and Anna Rose are made of true colors. Indeed, you bear out the saying that "you can take a girl out of the country, but you can't take the country out of a girl." Enjoy your home life. You're in a wonderful place. We wish the best of luck to both of you.

Last, but by no means least, is Mr. J. Steele Cameron, or, if Mr. Cameron doesn't object too much, we shall be informal and call him Jerry. We're certainly going to miss you, Jerry, especially in the athletic field. It is our sincere wish that you will be highly successful in the work you have chosen.

Say, seniors of 1953, are you wide awake? That's good, because it will require all that you have to take the place of this wonderful 1952 class.

Claudia Dotson
11th Grade

HONOR ROLL

(Fifth Marking Period)

Tommy Frommel
Raymond Randles
Raymond Seaver
Nevelino Huddleston
Robert Johnson
Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Louise Rogers
Joan Britt

(Sixth Marking Period)

Robert Johnson
Tommy Frommel
Billie Jean Clark
Louise Rogers (all A's)
Claudia Dotson (all A's)
Raymond Seaver
Raymond Randles
David Murrell
Elsie Willard
Donna Rae Dyer
Larry Hutson

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CHAPEL PROGRAMS

Since the last issue of the "Colonel," we have had very few chapel programs. However, these few have been quite enjoyable.

During the week of March 17-23, Miss Martha C. Schneider read a humorous story each morning. These were in the form of fables, all with splendid morals, and they delighted us very much.

The Primary Department gave us an excellent program for Easter on April 6. There were songs about the Easter Bunny, and recitations by Louis Robinson, Wanda Coogle, and Linda Crase. One of the highlights of the program was a song telling about riding on the bus, with Mrs. Judd's rhythm band enacting the various activities. We were pleased with our little "tots," and we know that they will some day be valuable members of the Dramatic Club, the Chorus Club, and all other organizations of our school.

On Tuesday, May 6, Robert Johnson, Martin Sutton, and Raymond Seaver gave accounts of their Boy Scout Trip to Camp Illinek, about thirty miles from Springfield, Illinois.

We were honored to have as our guest during this same week Mr. Hackanan, from Finland. He told us many interesting things about his native country. We learned, for instance, that Finnish boys and girls are trained in more of a vocational style than are

the American boys and girls, and that their main sport is skiing. Mr. Hackanan spoke to us on Friday, May 9.

Two musical selections -- a piano piece played by B. T. Kimbrough, and a little song sung by Linda Crase to which B. T. played the piano accompaniment -- were given on Thursday morning, May 22. Then on the following day we were entertained by Larry Hutson, Elsie Willard, and Gary Jones; and by the primary students who sang a repeat performance of the little "bus song" they had sung several weeks earlier. Gary played "The Cello"; Elsie, "Pastorale"; and Larry's three little pieces were "Little Bo-Peep," "The Singing Mouse," and "Long Long Ago."

We are indeed grateful to all faculty members and students who have contributed to these chapel programs, for "variety is the spice of life" in this as well as in all other phases of life.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

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THE MUSIC BOX

Since the last issue of "The Kentucky Colonel", our primary musical activity was spent in preparation for the annual spring recital. However, some of our students were privileged to attend a lecture and an organ recital given by Dr. Ernest White at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. These two events were on April 21 and 22 respectively. The lecture was mainly on organ tone, while the recital included works from the sixteenth century to the present day. The main attraction was Caesar Franck's "Chorale in B Minor."

The members of the chorus, the piano and organ students, Mr. Mootz, and Mrs. Judd were very busy preparing the music for the spring recital which was presented in our auditorium at three o'clock, Sunday afternoon, June 1. The pianists included Gary Jones, Elwood Miracle, Larry Hutson, Bobby Barnes, Shirley Parker, B. T. Kimbrough, Doris Page, Elsie Willard, Raymond Randles, Raymond Seaver, Billie Jean Clark, and Louise Rogers. Two organ selections were rendered by Billie Jean Clark and Raymond Seaver.

The chorus was especially well received on this program. Pieces by Handel and Gluck were performed. The two best-loved numbers, however, were "Swing Along," a modern setting of a Negro Spiritual, and "Skip to My Lou, " a number which has become almost a tradition at K.S.B. for the last three years.

At the commencement exercises on Wednesday evening, June 4, the chorus sang "Thanks Be to Thee," by Handel, and "Lead Me, Lord," by Wessley.

Thus we have completed another year's musical notes. We are certain that next year's music department will be just as interesting if not more so than this year's has been.

Raymond Seaver
10th Grade

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SCOUT NEWS

Since our last edition five of our scouts have had a very enjoyable and historical trip to Camp Illinek, a few miles outside of Springfield, Illinois. A group of boys from the Tennessee School for the Blind met us here and made the trip with us. We would like to express our appreciation to Mr. Richie and to Mr. Langan who worked so hard to make the trip successful. We would also like to thank Mr. Howser who drove for us.

The new boys coming into the troop and those trying for advancement are to go before the "Court of Honor" within the next few days. Jerry Cameron and Richard McDowell hope to become Star Scouts.

On Saturday, May 17, the whole troop boarded the bus and went out to Camp Covered Bridge to spend the night. Although it rained most of the time we were there, we enjoyed ourselves immensely. We had a campfire Saturday night dedicated to the seniors.

I would like to say for myself and for the other two seniors in our troop, Jerry Cameron and Robert Johnson, that these years as scouts will never be forgotten. We would like to express our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Richie for helping to make our scouting successful.

Richard McDowell
12th Grade

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GIRL SCOUTS

On Saturday, May 17, our Girl Scout Troop went to the State Fair Grounds for "Girl Scouts on Parade." There were many other troops there, and each troop had an exhibit -- some with active demonstrations, and others with "still"exhibits. Ours was both. While we were there we took time to see what the other troops were showing.

At one-thirty the girls were supposed to march into the building for a program, but we were delayed until two o'clock. In this part of the program, one troop of girls entered riding bicycles; this was to represent the out-of-doors. Some of the troops did some square dancing, and other troops sang. K.S.B. Troop was one of many that did not participate in this part of the program. This entertainment lasted until three o'clock.

We appreciate Miss Webb's interest in us and also the time she devoted to our group. We have enjoyed all the meetings this year and certainly hope she will be our leader again next year.

Elsie Willard
8th Grade

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SPORTS

After returning from the Eastern Wrestling Tournament, nearly all the school athletes began the long hard training for the coming track season. Although a few of our track stars have graduated, we still had Robinson and Thomas to depend upon -- so we expected a good season. The boys worked harder this year than ever before so they could uphold the big records set last year.

The first meet of the year was held on the home grounds in Louisville. It was a tri-angular meet, with Illinois and Missouri as our guests. As in the past few years, we were kings again in this age-old feud. This year we totaled more than half of the possible points in out-scoring the others with 37 points. Missouri was second with 19, and Illinois was third with 16.

The track meet of the Midwest Association of Schools for the Blind was held in Austin, Texas. Due to the long travel distance for so many schools, the number of teams competing was limited to four. Texas presented a fine array of jumpers and runners as they dealt us our first defeat in three years. We were able to capture five of the eight first places, but Texas was able to command all of the seconds and thirds as well as a few wins. It was in this

meet that Ben Robinson put himself in the K.S.B. Hall of Glory. He established three conference records in winning the 50-and 75-yard dash, as well as the basketball throw. His time for the 50-yard dash was an amazing 5.5 seconds.

A second tri-angular meet was held with the Kansas and Missouri Schools in St. Louis late in the season. We had a little rougher time with the "Mules," but managed to sneak through a win. We scored 36 points to Missouri's 28½. Kansas was third with 7½ points.

Our track team tried a new type of competition this spring. We entered some meets with public and parochial high schools. Our most successful venture was in the state regionals. Ben Robinson placed in the 100-yard dash, and in so doing qualified for the state finals in Lexington. Here he placed third in his preliminary heat. This did not qualify him for further competition.

We are hoping that next fall we can inaugurate a new varsity sport -- cross country. The boys will practice daily on the school grounds as well as on the local golf courses. Let's hope that we will be successful in our new venture into the field of varsity athletic competition.

Jerry Cameron
12th Grade

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COMPETITION WITH SIGHTED BOYS

I have been in wrestling and track for four years, but this is the first year I have competed against boys who have perfect vision.

In wrestling, two opponents were boys from Evansville, Indiana, but these sighted boys had no advantage over me because we wrestled from a position of continuous contact with the opponent.

When track season began, we met teams from other schools for the blind, as expected. Then, toward the last of April, Manus Castle, Billy Stanley, and I competed in a tournament in New Albany, Indiana. This was the first time any of our boys had taken part in athletic events with sighted boys, so we did not expect to come home with "flying colors"; however, the experience was good for us.

When the time came for the Kentucky State trials, Mr. Langan, superintendent, and Mr. Bill English, track and wrestling coach, decided to enter me in that meet. It was a cloudy Thursday afternoon when Mr. English and I went to Shawnee High School, where the preliminaries were to be held. During the "process of elimination," I was still in the running for the last race, and in this I finished in fourth place -- just barely getting under the wire for the Lexington finals. These were held on Friday, May 17. Here the competition was too much for me, for I finished third in my first race and was not eligible to run again.

With this tournament the season came to a close. It was all a grand experience-- one which I shall never forget.

Ben Robinson
10th Grade

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C L U B N E W S

PEP CLUB The Pep Club has had very few meetings since the last track meet. However, thanks to Mr. English, the student officers, and all members, this club has certainly been successful during its first year, and we hope that it may gain even more significance next year.

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DRAMATIC CLUB On April 27, the members of the cast of "The Late Christopher Bean" were invited to spend an evening over on Lexington Road. Mr. Mootz, the director of our play, and his friend Mr. Burwinkle, were hosts to our merry group on this occasion.

After talking for about an hour, we ate our picnic supper and then cut Richard's surprise birthday cake that Miss Hartford had baked especially for this party. Later, in the living room, we listened to records and chatted merrily about our school days. Ten-thirty came all too soon and we got into the car reluctantly and were driven home.

This evening was certainly a delightful one, and the members of the Dramatic Club will always cherish those happy memories.

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CHORUS CLUB On May 31, the Chorus Club and the Dramatic Club combined their final party with a picnic at Clifty Falls, a State Park near Madison, Indiana. The bus was loaded early that afternoon and we found ourselves being driven by our principal and friend, Mr. Howser. We sang and made so much noise along the way we wondered how the adults were able to endure it!

After arriving at the picnic grounds we scattered through the park, each little group making its own way to the falls. But we all assembled about six o'clock for a delightful supper that was already prepared for us. Afterwards, we wandered about until it was

time to scramble into the bus once more to come back to school. This was a most enjoyable outing, and we are indebted to all members of the staff who made it possible for us to go.

Billie Jean Clark
12th Grade

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TUNING CLUB The Tuning Club made a trip to Carrollton, Kentucky, on Saturday, May 24, to the Butler State Memorial Park. We were enjoying ourselves very much when, at about four o'clock in the afternoon, a heavy shower made everyone dash for the bus. The downpour continued, so we were content to "call it a day" and return to school.

On this same day, also, a short meeting was held for the election of next year's president. Congratulations, Raymond Randles, for being chosen "head man" for 1952-53.

When the club receives calls such as the following, all members are very proud: "Would you please consider me as a regular customer? I should like to have my piano tuned once a year." This call came from a customer who had had her piano tuned and repaired by one of our members, and, as is evident, was well satisfied. We hope that in the future a regular schedule for the senior members can be maintained.

Robert Johnson
12th Grade

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SOCIAL ADJUSTMENT

Social Adjustment Group F, who meet with Mr. Howser on Tuesday and Thursday of every week, have had lengthy discussions on stopping bad activities among the students, the problem of dating, and vocations for the blind. We heard three programs from the library -- dating, the divorce in this country, and the work of a B-36 bomber. Mr. Howser has read several reports to us, the most recent being one from the University of Kentucky on the basket-ball scandal. We hope that this activities period will continue again next year to better the moral, mental, and spiritual character of the students.

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Section C, made up of the seventh, eighth and ninth grade boys, has been discussing the subject of rehabilitation for the visually handicapped, and how to get in touch with the Office of Rehabilitation. We have also discussed the responsibilities we should undertake in connection with keeping the new cottage, Huntoon House, beautifully new long after we move into it. We are anxious to move, because the new building is such an improvement over the one in which we are now residing. Last, but not least, we discussed the relationship between boys and girls in high school: the problem of dating, manners, and other teen-age difficulties. Mr. English, our advisor, has been very helpful; he has just finished his college work, and is not too old to have forgotten his high school days!

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In Section E we have learned many helpful things. Some may seem unimportant; at the same time they are the things we do day after day and we should know how to be "proper" in all of them. The majority of us do not know how to go up and down stairs in a graceful, easy manner, so we had some lessons in the school of "charm", trying to walk like models! Another interesting activity has been shopping. We have taken advantage of the warm weather by going to the creamery on several occasions. We order what we want (instead of depending on someone else because we might be a little timid), and we make sure that we receive the correct change from the money that has been given us. These trips are always enjoyed because they mean a treat! Another helpful project has been learning how to write with a pencil, for we certainly want to know how to sign our names when we go out into the world. This period has proved to be most helpful, and we all feel that it has been a success. We appreciate everything that Miss Schneider has done for us.

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Mr. Mootz has read a book on blindness, put out by the Federal Government, to Class A. This book tells how a blind person can get a job, and what kinds of jobs blind people can apply for. * * Every morning we have a check-up on personal cleanliness: hands, face, teeth, and hair. If just one of these could be improved, we go trotting out of the room to make them look better! * * One morning we used this period to "explore" Huntoon House, for we are quite interested in our new home for next year.

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One sunny day, during our activities period, the fifth and sixth grade girls went out to pick violets. We studied flowers and weeds. Another pretty day came and we went walking again. We ended at Wonderland for a little treat which was a cone of ice cream. When we are inside we are learning to write, but for the last two days we were out of our regular classroom and Miss Lydia read to us from "Dago," a wonderful book. We are enjoying our activities period.

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The class for the seventh and eighth grade girls has been discussing travel in public. During Mrs. Barrett's absence we started a book, "My Reflection," on personality. We shall continue with this.

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(The above paragraphs were contributed by Raymond Seaver, Tommy Frommel, Delsie Messer, Larry Hutson, Shirley Parker, and Elsie Willard.)

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PLAY DAY WEEK-END

As many of our readers may remember, K.S.B. joined another interscholastic play day last year. The schools participating in this are Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, and Kentucky. This year the play day was held at the West Virginia school on the week-end of May 2-4.

On Thursday evening, May 1, Miss Schneider accompanied Billie Jean Clark, Alma Jean White, Flonnie Howard, Lucille Huddleston, Elsie Willard, Louise Rogers, Anna Rose Ratliff, and Joan Britt on the trip to Romney, West Virginia. We traveled by Greyhound Bus, and, while the trip was quite long, the time passed quickly because of the anticipation of the fun we were going to have.

Friday afternoon was devoted to getting acquainted with one another and in exploring the buildings. All the people we met were not strangers to us because we had met some of them at the play day which was held in North Carolina the previous year. That evening after supper there was a marshmallow roast at the grill on the campus. We sang, laughed, and ate marshmallows until we almost turned into one! Each school -- and each girl individually -- was introduced at this time.

The main events of the play day were held on Saturday morning. We participated in several relays, jumped rope, threw ball, pitched horse-shoes, and danced several folk dances. These events were not conducted on a competitive basis; the chief purpose being to have fun and to give the girls an opportunity to visit other schools.

Saturday afternoon, while the teachers were having a general discussion on ways to improve the play day week-ends, the students were allowed to spend the time as they chose. Some took walks to see the sights of Romney, others went to the movies, and many went

to bed for a rest. These smart people were preparing themselves for the dance which was to be given that night. The dance in the gym ended the activities. Delicious refreshments (and all we could eat) were served. Each girl was escorted to the dance by one of the boys from the West Virginia School.

Sunday morning found us, all too soon, preparing to leave. In the hurry and bustle of goodbyes, we suddenly realized how many wonderful people we had met. We felt as though we were saying goodbye to old friends instead of new acquaintances. West Virginia School for the Blind is certainly sprinkled generously with that southern hospitality Kentucky is always bragging about!

For some of us this will be the last play day that we will be attending. At this time we should like to thank everyone who has had a part in making these play days possible. We feel they have been invaluable to us in many ways. Thanks, all you nice people!

Joan Britt
12th Grade

THE KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

presents

"T H E L A T E C H R I S T O P H E R B E A N"

A Comedy in Three Acts

by

Sidney Howard

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Friday, May 9, 1952

8 p.m.

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Auditorium

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Louisville, Kentucky

CAST OF CHARACTERS

(In Order of Appearance)

Dr. Haggett .....Richard McDowell
Susan Haggett .....Claudia Dotson
Abby .....Joan Britt
Mrs. Haggett..... Louise Rogers
Ada Haggett.....Billie Jean Clark
Warren Creamer.....Jerry Steele Cameron
Tallant.....Raymond Seaver
Rosen.....Donnie Adams
Davenport..... Raymond Randles

The action takes place in the
dining room of the Haggetts' house,
not far from Boston, during the early 1930's

Act I -- Morning
Act II -- Noon
Act III Afternoon

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PRODUCTION

Director..... William Mootz
Properties .....Alma Jean White
Stage Manager.....James Rader

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USHERS

Robert Page Will Evans
Marion Plummer

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For his outstanding performance as Dr. Haggett, Richard McDowell received the first award, making this the second consecutive year for him to earn this prize. Joan Britt and Billie Jean Clark were also recognized for their splendid performances. Congratulations to them, and to all the members of the cast and the staff. They all helped make the play "the best ever."

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MISSION COMPLETE

Here I am again! You know me. I always have something to tell. Pardon me while I try my best to take my memory back to Bell County High School and pick out the most interesting parts of my past school year. I shall try to relate matters which will answer your questions.

The school was a large one with about 687 students. Friends were so easily made that I knew almost everyone before school closed. The teachers were very understanding and gave me all my tests orally. I'm still wondering how I managed to get straight "A's." I thought my grades would drop when apples became hard to get. Being one of the twenty honor students was a cherished privilege.

The first few days were like being in New York, but I never gave up. Being the determined person that I am helped me to keep my spirits up. My first big step forward came when I won a talent show in which all students could take part. The steak dinners and prizes I won from that kept me healthy until the next break came.

The selection of a school queen is an annual affair at Bell High. There's one good thing about it, too. She doesn't have to be beautiful! How do I know? I am the queen of Bell High this year. It will be my privilege to ride the school float in the Mountain Laurel Festival Parade.

If anyone has taken going to school at home into consideration, I should like to encourage you to work toward it. Knowing the people in one's own community adds pleasure to life at home. In conclusion, I should like to remind you that the background you are getting at K.S.B. is incomparable. No matter what kind of record you make in any other school, always be mindful of the fact that K.S.B. is responsible for your success.

I take great pride in saying that I am a student from K.S.B. I thank Mr. Langan, the staff, and all who have taken interest in me for what I have accomplished this past year. May all our graduates work toward making K.S.B. proud owners of them.

Betty Jean Greene
12th Grade

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

EASTER VACATION ADVENTURES

Friday morning my father came to take us to town. When we reached there we learned that Daniel's ice cream machine had broken down and he was giving away his ice cream. We got about eighty-six quarts. We gave it to all of our relatives and friends for their Sunday dinners. Everybody had as much ice cream as he or she could eat.

Patty Wheeler

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On Saturday I went fishing. It was cold and windy. We sat on a bank ten feet high and fished with a rod and reel. The water was clear and the fish were biting well.

After I had sat there for awhile I got a bite. I wrestled with the fish for about fifteen minutes, and when I finally pulled him out he was a big one. He weighed three and a half pounds. In all, I caught six fish in about two hours.

Gordon Pierce

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My whole family -- Mother, Father, two sisters, uncle, and aunt -- went fishing. Everybody had luck but Daddy. Even six-year-old sister caught five. I caught seven. We threw back the little ones, but we took home twenty-five.

They made our company and us a good Sunday dinner. They were suckers, cats, and bass, and we caught them in the creek.

Gerald Norton

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The bus I was riding to Lexington on was late, and my bus for Cynthiana was gone. The bus driver unloaded his passengers, put me back on his bus and overtook the bus I should have caught. He told the Cynthiana driver to take good care of me. It made me happy all my Easter vacation to think about so kind a person as that bus driver.

Roberta Laytart

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I did not mind my mother, and I was sorry.

"Now, Doris," she said, "take off your new Easter dress before sitting down to dinner."

"Oh, I won't spill anything on it," I said. "I know I won't."

I got through the chicken and dressing and peas and salad successfully. Then came the best part of all -- cake, peach ice cream, and Kool-Ade. Perhaps cake and ice cream distract me -- I spilled Kool -Ade from my neck all the way down my new Sunday dress.

Doris Page

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TWO HUNDRED YEARS MAKE A GOOD DIFFERENCE

We learned in our history class that less than two hundred years ago no men lived in Kentucky -- only many animals in the forests and many fish in the streams. Kentucky was "The happy hunting ground" of the Indians.

On Saturday, March 5, we started out in our school bus with Mr. Howser, our teacher, to see a little of what has happened in "the happy hunting ground" since John Finley first saw it and called it a paradise.

The first thing Mr. Howser did was make a joke -- he showed us a house in Shelby County that was built in Virginia and had not been moved. He didn't fool us; we knew that Kentucky was once a county in Virginia.

Along the road there was a sign pointing to the place where Abraham Lincoln's grandfather was killed by the Indians. The Indians fought hard to make the white man leave their hunting ground.

When we arrived at Frankfort we went to the capitol. On the first floor we saw four statues of famous Kentuckians: Abraham Lincoln, Henry Clay, Jefferson Davis, and Ephraim McDowell. Dr. McDowell is famous because he is the first doctor to take out an appendix. He laid a woman on her kitchen table and performed the operation.

As we went to the rooms where the law-makers meet we passed the Governor's office. He was not working that day, because outside his door was a stack of mail two feet high.

The Legislature had gone home, but in their places were boys and girls practicing being law-makers. In the Senate chamber we all took turns sitting in the lieutenant-governor's chair. Donna had her picture taken while she was sitting there.

The old capitol building was closed, so we went and stood under the tree where many Kentucky governors have taken the oath of office.

Sometimes the people of Kentucky had trouble among themselves -- we saw the place on the street where Governor William Goebel fell after he was shot in 1900.

Before we went to Transylvania, the oldest college in Kentucky, we went to see the coliseum at the University of Kentucky. The coliseum was built in memory of the soldiers of Kentucky who died in World War II. All their names were listed by counties on the walls at the concourses. All kinds of entertainment are held in the coliseum. We liked best the chance to stand on the basketball court.

On our way back to Louisville we stopped at one of the beautiful horse farms near Lexington. We saw a shiningly clean barn and six one-year-old horses.

That is just a tiny bit of Kentucky, but it told many stories of what has happened to the Indians' "Happy Hunting Ground" in less than two hundred years.

Fifth Grade

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HOW IT ALL ENDED

The sixth grade is both sad and happy. We lost the championship in the series of spelling matches, but we are happy about the success of the party we gave to the fifth grade for we enjoyed it as much as they did.

We do not feel too bad, for Bobby Barnes lost our final match to Larry Hutson who has proved himself the champion speller of both grades. He won three of the five matches.

Because we in the sixth grade won only one match out of the five, we had to serve the champions at a party.

The smart fifth graders can spell, but they had to be told what we were thinking of after they could not guess in more than "twenty questions."

A big table in the center of the band stand, twenty-four hungry boys and girls -- yes, that's right. Refreshments came. It was all much fun. This final match was the best of all. We thank Miss Wash, Miss Hartford, Mrs. Barrett, and the girls in the cooking class for their assistance in making this activity helpful and enjoyable.

Elwood Miracle
6th Grade

FUN AT WORK

You've probably never thought that cooking can be just as much fun as eating. Oh, yes! If you were to join a class of home economics that was just half as nice as ours has been this year, chances are that you would agree that work (that is, some work) is fun, and not as tiring as playing ball or skating.

Our cooking class began more like a biology class because we thought it was necessary for us to know how foods were digested; so we gave a little time to the study of the human body. In order to build a healthy body we practiced planning balanced meals -- meals which give enough of each vitamin required to keep one healthy.

When we first began work in the kitchen, we made hot chocolate, oatmeal and cooked dried foods. We progressed until we were able to have a luncheon each Wednesday, at which members of the staff were our guests. At the first few luncheons we were quite nervous. The hostess was afraid something she might do or say would be frowned upon; the waitress was stiff because of her fear of dropping a knife or spilling food in someone's lap! But in a short time we either lost our nerves, or we decided that there was no need in being self-conscious. We felt more at ease and we were actually enjoying ourselves! I think that most of the girls can attend luncheons now and feel "at home."

We are sorry that we did not have the opportunity to invite more of our friends to these luncheons, but we are so happy to have had the ones who did come and we sincerely hope they enjoyed the meals and the fellowship at the table as much as we enjoyed having them.

Alice Napier
10th Grade

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RETURN OF A NATIVE

After being away from school for almost five years while attending the University and Law School, I have found it most interesting to return this past semester as a part-time substitute teacher. This has made me realize the problems that confront teachers and to know that they are really human, in spite of anything you might have heard to the contrary.

When I graduated in June, 1947, the program inauguarated by Mr. Langan had only been underway for a year and a half. Now I find after seven years it is proving successful and the marks of progress are beginning to show on the students. In addition to a broader curriculum, the students have numerous activities to occupy their interests. The boys, especially, have taken to the athletic events which have afforded them trips from Texas to Philadelphia. Our teams are respected in both the eastern and the midwestern associations and have won trophies and medals in the track and wrestling competitions. Trips abroad, unheard of a few years ago, are not limited

to the athletes. The Boy Scouts have attended Jamborees in Pennsylvania and Illinois, as well as acting as hosts for such an affair here last year. The girls, too, have gotten into the act with trips to North Carolina, Illinois, Missouri and West Virginia for play-day week-ends at the other schools. At home, the chorus and the dramatic clubs keep the children stimulated with productions for the public throughout the school year.

More in evidence, perhaps, is the wholesome attitude of the students toward the school and life on the campus. One of my tenth grade students told me recently that his first year at school and his first time away from home was really frightening experience. Though he only lived five hours away from Louisville by train he was not able to go home from September until June because of the absence of regular holidays and vacations during the school year. Off-campus privileges after school hours, evenings, and week-ends provide a normal atmosphere for the students, eliminating the restrictions of the residential school. All of this has made the students more responsible and independent individuals. This alone, better prepares the students to be better adjusted to going to college or to work.

I wish more former students could have the chance of returning to school as I have to see the opportunities available to the students now.

Lynn T. Mitchell '47

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POET'S CORNER

DREAMS OF EUROPE

Would that I could go to Europe,
To those lands across the ocean;
There, to see so many cities:
London, Paris, Venice, Florence,
And to wander through Vienna --
Through the city of great music,
Through the land of so much genius;
There, the land of God-sent genius.
O, that I could go to Europe,
To those fascinating countries,
Just to learn about their customs,
And to come to know their people.

Billie Jean Clark
12th Grade

LIFE

Life is filled with trials and tribulations,
Its roads are crossed and angled every way;
The individual takes one of his choosing,
But sometimes grows careless and goes astray.

The road you take may lead to wealth or sorrow,
So chart your course before you make the run;
Dead-end roads lead no where -- just waste your time,
The fight must start again before it's won.

Some roads have comfort the journey through,
And some are treacherous toward the end;
The one with easy going ends in suffering,
At the other's end you find an eternal friend.

As you walk down the paths used long before you,
Please keep one important fact in mind:
It's up to you to fill in all the chugholes,
And aid the ones who follow close behind.

Robert Johnson
12th Grade

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W E D D I N G B E L L S

Miss Helen Hicks, who has been on the school faculty for nineteen terms, will be married to Mr. Robert W. McDaniel at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Newport, Kentucky on June 14.

A reception at the home of the groom's sister will follow the informal wedding. Two days later another reception will be given at the home of the bride's sister in Dayton, Ohio.

Miss Hicks met Mr. McDaniel in Louisville in 1935 when he was a stand operator here, and they have been friends ever since.

Mrs. Roy Haynes and Mrs. Marshall Parks gave the bride miscellaneous showers, and Mrs. Langan gave a shower at her home at which time Miss Hicks was presented with a gift from the members of the school staff.

Miss Helen will be missed greatly by the school, as her thorough training of the children in the primary grades has been a real asset to the school and to the children.

The K.S.B. wishes her a happy marriage.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We can hardly close this school year as successful as it has been without a note of regret. Faculty losses in the retirement of Miss Lydia Scoggan and Miss Helen Hicks' marriage will certainly affect our school program next year. Down through the years Miss Scoggan has been an inspiration to the students and teachers alike, maintaining a strong, wholesome influence on the campus. Our high school students always entered the city public schools with a high sense of values and sound, fundamental training as a result of her teachings. Though her absence on our staff will be felt by the children in school in the future, Miss Scoggan leaves us with a sense of a job well done and the testimony of many former students who will always remember and treasure the opportunity of knowing her.

Miss Hicks, though with fewer years of service, has left her mark in our primary department. Many first and second graders passed on into the elementary grades successfully as a result of her thorough grounding and preparation for the upper school. Miss Hicks leaves a host of friends at school who wish only the very best happiness in her new home.

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The school is indebted again this year for the fine, continued interest of our Alumni Association. On June 14, 1952, a fifty foot steel flag-pole and a new six by eight foot flag were presented in a formal ceremony by the former students and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. This is a splendid addition to the circle in front of the main building.

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The Alumni Association enjoyed their best meeting since the founding of the organization seven years ago when more than two hundred and twenty members returned to the campus on June 14-15. The growth of this group since its inception has surprised both the school authorities and the officers of the association. With the projects such as those sponsored for the benefit of the school during the past two years our former students can look forward to greater interest of the members and further cooperation with the school.

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By the time this issue of the Colonel reaches most of our readers we will be busy entertaining some three hundred teachers of the blind from schools all over the world. This will be the 41st meeting of the American Association of Instructors of the Blind and the first held at our school since 1890. The meetings will continue from June 29 through July 3.

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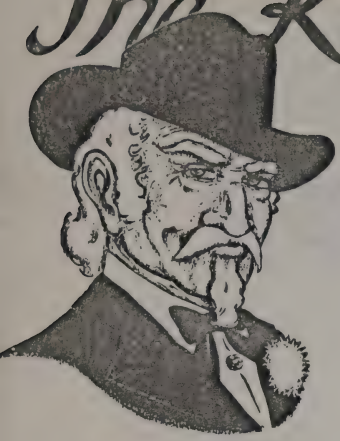

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EDITORIALS

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IN THE CLASSROOM

We often come upon something to discuss in our classroom, and in discussing matters we often run into unadvoidable arguments. A person likes to make himself clear during these arguments, especially to his opponent, and in turn his opponent wants to do the same. Sometimes, however, we do not want to accept the other persons's idea because we are so convinced that we are right and he is wrong. We think it is not even necessary to listen, and show great rudeness. It is true that we should stand up for the things we believe are right, but we must think of the other person's rights and his beliefs. Did you ever happen to think of the possibility that we, too, can be wrong?

Manus Castle
10th Grade

A CITIZEN OF YOUR SCHOOL

We should be good citizens of our school and for many reasons. First of all, schooling and education are the principal parts of our early years. During that time we should get our book learning, as it has been called, and meet and know people who will influence our future for the best. Since we are in school from about six to eighteen years, you can see how one's future will be modeled. By being a good citizen in school one gets an idea of what it is to be a good citizen of America. To be a good citizen you must take an active part in school activities, social and curricular. It means learning to live with people, giving up some of your viewpoints if a broader understanding is achieved by accepting someone else's. You must learn to give of yourself to other people and to be ready to receive what others can give you. It takes maturity to be a good citizen. . . . . .Are we on the road to manhood and womanhood?

"If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings -- nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the earth and everything that's in it,
And -- which is more -- you'll be a man, my son! "
-- from "IF" by Rudyard Kipling

Tommy Frommel
10th Grade

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"THE VOICE OF DEMOCRACY"

"There is a chance for a student from your school to win a $500 college scholarship, an all-expense trip to Washington, D.C. and colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, a radio-phonograph combination or a television receiver, plus local recognition and awards. Yes, the sixth annual "Voice of Democracy" contest sponsored by the National Association of radio and TV broadcasters, Radio Television Manufacturers Association and the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce is open to tenth, eleventh, and twelfth students in your school."

When we received that announcement from Mr. Claude Harris, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Louisville, our school selected five juniors and seniors to compete for the honor of representing us at the community contest.

Coached by Miss Lula May Wash, Claudia Dotson, Louis Knipp, Raymond Randles, Louise Rogers, and Raymond Seaver worked very hard to prepare themselves for "the big day of decision" here. The big day came on November 11, when the audience and the four judges--Mr. Harris, Mrs. English, Mr. Howser, and Mr. Mootz--

assembled to listen to the speeches,

All the speeches showed sincerity and good thinking. When they were done we waited for the judges' choice with keen anticipation. Mr. Harris announced Louis Knipp the winner.

On November 25, Louis will compete with twenty-two other winners in their respective high schools.

Mr. Knipp, we all give you our congratulations for your performance here, and we follow you with our hopes and sincerest good wishes for many more steps upward in this contest.

Following is the test of Louis' speech.

Delsie Messer
11th grade

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I SPEAK FOR DEMOCRACY

The word "democracy" comes from the Greek demos, meaning people, and krateo, meaning rule. But what is our democracy? The United States of America is, in truth, technically not a democracy, but a representative political republic. Pure democracy is to be found only in one central-European country, and in the townships of seventeenth-century New England.

The minds of men are diverse and individual. Alexander Hamilton thought it best in his day to have a rather strong central government, with the power vested, to a large degree, in a small group of well-educated aristocrats. Thomas Jefferson, Hamilton's "opposite pole", contended that the power must lie in the hands of a majority of all the people. Calvin Coolidge, in his usual and characteristically laconic delivery, stated: "The best government is the Least government." And the late Franklin Roosevelt, in most lucid terms, set forth the goals of this democratic ideology in his definitive "Four Freedoms". But whether the interpretation and version come from Hamilton, Jefferson, Coolidge, or Roosevelt, democracy, as we know it in this "sovereign nation of many sovereign states", has proved more universally beneficial to an immense number of people, in a huge country with varying climatic and economic regions, than has any other institution of government yet divised by humanity.

Many authorities consider the strength of a democratic country as lying in a substantial middle-class; that is, they say a moderate amount of personal private property is a bulwark of freedom; A man's home is his castle; it provokes initiative, and serves as an inspiration; it causes him to be alert and vigilant to the maintenance of his liberties; he will fight to protect his wife and children. They also calculate that certain countries were easy prey for cruel dictators because of the impoverishment of the middle-classes -- even more than because of the ruthless-

ness of the political organizations and their tactics.

The normal reaction to the above is the logical question: What's the state of our great middle-class? Our living standard is unsurpassed. Mass-production places goods of reasonable quality, in large quantity, within the reach of almost everyone; custom-manufacturing makes goods of higher quality available in smaller quantity to fewer consumers.

The wheels of government in our country often turn quite slowly, sometimes to the point where there is generated within us a feeling of extreme impatience. Likewise as frequently, our zeal for industry and capital is carried to an extent where it ceases to be an asset, and instead becomes a detraction from the pleasures of daily living. But for all the country's shortcomings, and in spite of all the room for criticism, the United States still offers what only two or three nations other than herself yet afford, namely, "Freedom From Fear".

However, the prime point and preempt purpose of this speech is to illucidate on how democracy has affected me individually; What does "Freedom From Fear" mean to me, personally? Democracy means freedom of assembly for any valid reason; freedom of worship according to conscience; freedom of enterprise, to gain as little or as much as my potential warrants; freedom to express my opinions as I see fit, without danger of reprisal. "Freedom From Fear" means that I'll not be subjected to any political persecution; that I'll not be routed out of my home in the dead of nocturnal hours to be perged. Lastly, and with particular emphasis, I am blessed with "Freedom From Want", -- I'll not suffer for lack of that to which I'm entitled.

The conduct of our private affairs and the directing of our personal lives are, as yet, predominantly unrestricted and left to our own volition. There is opportunity, provision, and compensation for everyone and his ambitions.

It is with pride, appreciation, and sincerity of conviction that I forthrightly speak for democracy.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

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C H A P E L N E W S

This year our chapel programs have been just as good as in the past. We have had much entertainment from what, we think, is the best of all -- and that is the primary children. About the

middle of October, several of these children gave us a little program of songs and poems. When they gave us another treat on Hallowe'en Day, they surprised us by entering from the back of the auditorium instead of being on the stage, as is the usual custom. They were dressed in all kinds of funny costumes, and as they marched down the aisle they made all the noise they could with bells and whistles. While they kept us in suspense as to "which one of them was which", they entertained us. We feel that our compliments should go to Mrs. Black, Mrs. McDaniel, and Mrs. Judd, who have worked so patiently with the little children.

Even if some of us may think that the primary children make up the best part of our chapel programs, they aren't the only ones who have entertained us. Two of our girls, Elsie Willard and Louise Burkhart, accompanied by Tommy Frommel with his guitar, and Mrs. Judd at the piano, sang two songs. These were "My Sunshine," and "Old Zip Coon." Larry Hutson and B. T. Kimbrough also performed well when they sang a duet, "In Springtime." And last but by no means least, Wendell Lee Wilkinson, a newcomer to our school this year, should be complimented for the good performance he gave.

A very interesting debate on who should be president, given by James Harvey Robinson, speaking for the Democrats, and Fred Rader, speaking for the Republicans, was given during the week before election day. After this debate we decided to have an election here in school to see which way we would vote IF we were of voting age. The Democrats won.

Some of the teachers have also added something a little different beside reading the Scripture. Along with the reading of the Bible, Mrs. Barrett read the Scriptures that were found in our Sunday School lessons which were supposed to be read in order to help us be one hundred percent on Sunday morning. Mr. English gave us a little background reading of the Bible. And when Miss Schneider is conducting the chapel program, she always finds clever little stories -- all with pointed morals which we should heed, of course — to read to us. We look forward to these, for frequently a joke is "thrown in" for good measure!

On Armistice Day we had an unusual program. Mr. Richie, the Boy Scout leader, who supervises the raising of the flag each morning, decided to vary the daily procedure. After half of the service had been conducted in the auditorium, everyone followed the four flag bearers outdoors to watch the raising of the flag. Two buglers called us to attention, and the pledge was said. We all enjoyed the change in the program.

Flonnie Howard
11th Grade

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On Friday, November 21, the boys who formed a small orchestra for their own amusement, and for the sake of extra practice on the new instruments, gave us their rendition of "Sentimental Journey."

The members of this group are Billy Stanley, who plays the trombone; Tommy Frommel, trumpet; Manus Castle, Alto horn; and Louis Knipp, piano. Everyone hopes this group will practice long and hard so that we shall benefit frequently from their love of music.

The programs for Thanksgiving Week began with a trio "Ivory Palaces" sung by Louise Burkhart, Flonnie Howard, and Elsie Willard. The following day the entire school enjoyed our annual Thanksgiving entertainment. "The First Thanksgiving" was read by B. T. Kimbrough, fifth grade, but all the recitations and songs were given by children in the primary grades. It was, indeed, a most enjoyable program, and we are indebted to Mrs. Judd, Mrs. Black, and Mrs. McDaniel for arranging this.

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THE MUSIC BOX

The season of 1952-1953 has arrived, and the music department of the Kentucky School for the Blind is again quite active. Included in the itinerary are instruction in piano and organ, the mixed choir, and, of more recent addition, a drum and bugle corps. We also have a junior chorus for the younger children.

Some of our students have been privileged to attend a number of fine musical events in the past two months. On October 12th, they enjoyed a program by the New Music String Quartet, in which works by Gibbens, Purcell, Fasch, Beethoven, and Bartok were played. The Danish State Symphony appeared at Memorial Auditorium on November 4th, under two conductors, performing music by Dvorak, Nielson, Grieg, and Strawinsky. Lastly, the Louisville Orchestra's first subscription concert was attended on November 12th. The concert offered, among other things, a performance of the Beethoven Violin Concerto by the world-renowned Szymon Goldberg.

Our music director, Mr. Mootz, immensely enjoyed an extensive tour of Europe this past summer. He witnessed musical and theatrical events in London, Paris, Bayreuth, Salzburg, and Rome.

Raymond Seaver and Louis Knipp gave a program of light music for the Business Woman's Club of St. Mark's Episcopal church on September 16th.

Our mixed choir will present its annual Christmas program on December 17th, consisting of selections from the cantata "The Childe, Jesus", by Cloche.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

GIRL SCOUTS

In the girl scout group this year the girls must be between eleven and fifteen years of age, so we are a small organization now. So far, the girls who have just started scouting are learning the scout laws. Miss Webb, our leader, has planned a party to be given in December, probably just before the Christmas holidays begin. Because of the short time we have been organized, there isn't much news to tell; but we certainly hope to write more for the next issue of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL.

Nellie Willard
6th Grade

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BOY SCOUTS

Speaking for all the Scouts in Troop 10, I should like to say "Welcome Back," to Mr. Herman Davis. Mr. Davis is a former member of Troop 10, and he has come back to join the Staff here at K.S.B. He is Explorer Adviser in the Troop this year.

Our Troop is, as it was last year, divided into three groups. All boys under 14 years of age are Scouts and hold their meetings with Mr. Richie, the Scoutmaster. All boys over 14 are Explorers; they meet with Mr. Davis. The Juniors and Seniors make up the Senior Patrol, and meet with both Mr. Richie and Mr. Davis.

On the week-end of October 4-5 all the boys in Troop 10 went to Camp Covered Bridge. We left on Saturday afternoon and came back to school on Sunday morning. Everyone enjoyed himself very much although it did rain on Sunday morning.

We have planned to hold a Scout Jamboree here on the week-end of November 22-23. Mr. Langan invited several schools, but just about two accepted. It has been postponed until this spring.

This year Troop 10 is striving for advancement. We are concentrating on new Scouts in these weeks before Christmas. We plan to have eight boys pass the test for Tenderfoot Scout. If four boys join the Troop, we shall receive recognition from Scout Headquarters. About twenty boys signed up for advancement this year. We have boys trying for Safety, Citizenship, Hiking, Music, Scholastic, and Athletic Merit Badges. As for Star Scouts, we have none at present. Bill Stanley is hoping to become a Star before Christmas. We hope to have several by the end of the year.

On the fourth Wednesday in the month we have our special Scout meetings. We invite guests to these affairs. The girls who were in the Girl Scout Troop last year, and the girls who are in

high school were invited to our first program in October. For our November program we shall invite all the people who work and eat at Huntoon House. We had planned a very good program to get people more interested in Scouting.

Troop 10 has a busy year before it. All the boys plan to work hard in promoting Scouting in our school.

Raymond Randles
11th Grade

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C L U B N O T E S

TUNING CLUB — As we continued the Tuning Club this year we had our first meeting about the last of September. At this meeting we learned the song that Mr. Richie has written for the club last year.

At our second meeting, which was held in October, the first business discussed was that of selecting someone to write the news of the club for the KENTUCKY COLONEL this year. Then Mr. Elwood Short, a former K.S.B. student, demonstrated the convenience of the modern tuning kit.

Donnie Adams, one of the members of our club, is a senior this year. He has tuned and serviced two pianos so far.

This year we have about twenty-three boys in the club -- the most we have had since the tuning department was created in 1945.

James Rader
11th Grade

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CHORUS CLUB — This year the chorus club held its first meeting on October 1. This year Raymond Randles was elected to preside over the club, with Alma Jean White as vice-president. Louis Knipp has taken charge of the secretarial duties, and Alice Napier holds the all-important office of treasurer. Claudia Dotson is program committee chairman.

The first social event of the year in this club was a Halloween party on October 31. Everyone has such a good time that the proverbial witches and ghosts didn't dare to make their appearance. Perhaps we frightened them away when we played the game "Cowboys, Indians, and Guns". We should like to thank the program committee and Miss Hartford for the fine work they did in making this party a success.

PEP CLUB — The pep club had its first meeting shortly after school started. Billy Stanley became president for the second time, and Robert Page was elected Secretary-Treasurer. There are six cheer leaders this year. They are Alma Jean White, Elsie Willard, Claudia Dotson, Alice Napier, James Rader, and Charles McDowell.

Were you ever sent out to look for a chicken bone, a peach seed, or an empty snuff box? Anyone who went on the scavenger hunt, which was the first social given by the pep club, knows that this did happen. Although some of the things the scavengers had to get seemed impossible, they were all procured with some effort and cleverness. After the hunt refreshments were served in the domestic science room. I think all the members of the club will agree that this was one of the most enjoyable parties ever held at K.S.B.

Louise Rogers
12th Grade

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GUIDANCE GROUPS AND ACTIVITY PERIODS

Continuing our guidance group from the preceding year, the eighth through the twelfth grades meet with Mr. Howser, our advisor, on Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week. In the first meeting the students elected officers for this particular group; and these are Tommy Frommel, president, and Billy Stanley, secretary-treasurer.

At the second meeting, our advisor started reading a book, "Attitides Toward Blindness" which deals with motivation of attitides, concepts of blindness, and psychological roots of attitudes. All students in this group have the opportunity of expressing their opinions in open discussions, which are held frequently after the reading. We are primarily concerned with the problems that hinder the visually handicapped from taking their respective places in society.

We feel that this guidance group will prove beneficial to us as we discuss the problems that confront us daily.

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This year, instead of having a regular class for our activity period, the girls are organizing a club which will bring the ideas of the program closer to the girls.

The first step was to select a planning committee for organization. The girls on this committee were Magdalene Parsons, Evelyn

Willard, Elsie Willard and Louise Burkhart. Their first suggestion was to elect two officers -- president and secretary. The group agreed, and our officers were elected as follows: President, Magdalene Parsons; Secretary, Elsie Willard.

Our meeting plan includes the two weekly activity periods plus an outside evening meeting every two weeks, which will be held in Merwin Hall. Our activity period will be devoted to reading articles on etiquette, grooming and social activity planning, and class discussion. We are in the process of reading WHAT IS YOUR P.Q. (PERSONALITY QUOTIENT)? by a favorite teenage author, Maureen Daly.

Our group does not have a name yet but many nimble minds are working on it and it should be ready for the next issue of THE COLONEL as well as another report on our progress.

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This year the Junior Chorus under the direction of Mr. Mootz has made tremendous progress in the learning of choral Music. This training will help us when we join the regular chorus. We have started to learn rhythm and how it will make or ruin a song. We have had just a little of the training that will be necessary but it already looks like real fun. We have made progress in our work and unless I'm mistaken you'll be hearing from us very shortly.

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This year we have started a new and different activities period. This class is held with Mr. Hobbs, each Tuesday and Friday. In this class we are studying the background of the different religions of mankind. We are now reading a good book called "This Believing World," written by Lewis Browne. Later in the year we hope to give you more news concerning our study of church history.

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Our guidance period this year is made up from four different groups. It includes Grades 5-6-7, as well as the special students. Each of the four groups is represented on the planning committee by one member. This planning committee is responsible for the discussions in our guidance section.

This year we have taken up three major topics; (1) mannerisms of the blind, (2) school club activities, and (3) sports. On the list to be discussed this coming month are the social graces that are necessary for teen-age boys.

Mr. English, K.S.B. coach, is our discussion leader.

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(Contributors to the above article have been Billy Stanley, Tommy Frommel, Louise Burkhart, James H. Robinson, and Elsie Willard.)

STATE FAIR PRIZE AWARDS

Just a short while before school closed last spring, the girls and boys were told by their sewing and shop teachers that there was to be a State Fair in Louisville during the summer and that Mr. Langan would like some of us to enter if possible. There were several participants.

Fortunately it was left up to us as to what we should make. Within just a short time there were a number of articles as representative of the school.

Nevelene Huddleston, Roberta Laytart, and Lucille Huddleston made purses. Nevelene Huddleston also made a dust mitten. Nevelene Huddleston got two first places receiving $6, Lucille Huddleston got second place receiving $2, and Roberta Laytart got third place receiving $1.

Martin Sutton made a tugboat, Manus Cassel, a shaving mug; and Billy Stanley, a centerpiece. Donnie Adams, Martin Sutton, and Donnie Brown made baskets. Martin Sutton got first and second places receiving $5, Donnie Adams, first place $3; Manus Cassel, second place $2; Billy Stanley, third place $1; and Donnie Brown, third place $1.

The success we achieved this year encouraged us to enter the next year's State Fair.

Lucille Huddleston
12th Grade

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SOCIAL NOTES

Saturday evening, October 18, marked the advent of a new social experience in our school. Promptly at a quarter after six the young gentlemen strolled over to Merwin Hall to escort the dates of their choice to their own Huntoon House for dinner and dancing.

A brief period of chatter in the living room was followed by a good meal in the dining room and more pleasant conversation. "The Fun Room," "The Music Room," "The Recreation Room"--all of those titles fit the place that received us next in its pretty, new spaciousness. As usual it fell to my lot to spend a good part of the time at the piano, where I received worthy assistance from Raylond Randles and his uke, Tommie Frommel and his trumpet, and Billy

Stanley and his drums. The company danced to everything from "Night and Day" to the "St. Louis Blues." The clock was not our friend because the evening was gone--"one, two, three."

The gentlemen escorted their young ladies back to Merwin Hall with mixed emotions--joy for the delightful party, sorrow for such a short evening, and pleasant anticipation of another in the future.

A thousand thanks go to all those who contributed to the success of this new social venture for us in our beautiful new residences.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

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Perhaps to some a tea seems a bit sophisticated; however, Mrs. English and Mrs. Haynes have proved to the girls of Merwin Hall that informal teas are given as well as formal ones.

Dainty cards inviting us to tea at four excited us and created much eagerness, as well as a little nervousness, for most of us had never had an opportunity such as this.

When we arrived at Mrs. English's apartment we were immediately served with dainty sandwiches, cookies, mints, nuts, and tea. Soon we found ourselves seated in small conversation groups and feeling very comfortable and at ease inside.

After refreshments were finished we enjoyed records and radio in Mrs. Haynes' living room.

"We shall talk about good manners at a tea," announced Mrs. English at the beginning of a class in social adjustment.

"We have never been to a tea," we chorused. "We have wondered what it is like, and what one does there."

The delightful hour that I have just described is the pleasantest way to acquaint one with social refinements that I have experienced. We were pleased to be in Mrs. English and Mrs. Haynes homes and to become better acquainted with them outside the classroom.

Magdaline Parsons
12th Grade

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

SEVENTH GRADE COMPOSITIONS

The 1952 Baseball Season

The 1952 baseball season was interesting right up to the last pitch in the last game. New York and Cleveland were fighting it out in the American League, and Brooklyn and the Giants were having a good race in the National League. Most of the other clubs did not have much of a chance to win the pennants with the exception of two or three clubs in the American League. Of course, I could not forget to mention the eighth place clubs in both leagues. The cellar team of the American League, Detroit, ended in last place for the first time in baseball's history. The National League cellar dweller, Pittsburgh, has one of the worst records of any team in a long time. There were the big trades that happen every season which sends key players to other teams for money or for other players. The season finally ended with the Brooklyn Dodgers playing the New York Yankees in the World Series. The Yankees took the necessary four out of seven games to win the series. Next year it may be a different story altogether. Who knows?

Bobby Barnes

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Our New Buildings

The new buildings in which we are living this year have many things that are more useful and modern than we had last year. We have a recreation room, in which we have card tables, couches, chairs, tables, and lamps. We also have a dining room in the same building, but more than that we just have to go down one flight of stairs. We have a beautiful reception room. It is just like a living room. In our rooms upstairs we have tables, chairs, and desks. They are very handy. We have little rooms in which we keep our clothes. We have showers and baths, so we have a choice between a shower or a tub bath. The boys certainly do appreciate the new cottages.

Elwood Miracle

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My First Airplane Ride

One Saturday afternoon my aunt and uncle decided to go see Uncle Bob. Uncle Bob owned a cub airplane. I was the first one to

take a ride with Uncle Bob that afternoon. We went twenty-five hundred feet off the ground. We went twenty-five miles away from the little airport. I did not get sich at my stomach. Every thing looked real pretty. All the cars and trucks looked like little toys. We did not have any parachutes in our airplane. We were not going very fast. I think it is a real thrill to ride in an airplane.

Gerald Lee Norton

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My Trip to Scout Camp

We left school about one o'clock one Saturday afternoon and arrived at the camp around two. Mr. Richey, our scout master, gave us some things to carry to camp. We walked up a rough road to our camp. After we got there we found our cabins. Most of the boys went down to the cook cabin and listened to the World Series. At five o'clock we ate supper, and afterwards we all gathered wood. This was used at seven o'clock when we had our camp fire. At this camp fire we had a silver dollar contest. The next morning we got up, ate breakfast, and had church services. Church lasted until nine-thirty. At ten o'clock we got on the bus and came back to school. I had a nice time at the scout camp, and I am sure that everybody did, too.

Johnny Ballard

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I AM THANKFUL

I am thankful that God made me.
I am thankful for health of body and peace of soul.
I am thankful for rain that helps us to raise good crops.
I am thankful for home and fire to keep it warm.
I am thankful for school so that I can learn things.
I am thankful for beautiful things out-of-doors, like birds and flowers.
I am thankful for people that love me, like mother and father and brother and sister and friends.
Most of all I am thankful for democracy.

Daniel Senters
Fifth Grade

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THANKSGIVING AT GRANDMOTHER'S

It was a cold winter day, and Jerry was up bright and early that morning. He remembered that this was Thanksgiving, and the family was going to grandmother's for dinner. But when he reached the bottom of the stairs, he found that he was not the only one up. There were Joyce and mother and father. This was one of the few mornings that mother did not have to tell Jerry to wash and put on his clean clothes. It seemed like we would never get ready to leave because mother and father were the slow ones this morning.

Grandmother's house is a large one with white shutters and red roof. There is a large front yard with different kinds of trees.

When they arrived, Jerry and Billy went to the barn to play in the loft, and Joyce, Jerry's sister, and Beverly went into Beverly's room to play records. The rest of the folks stayed in the front room and talked. Soon the rest of the kinfolks came and they counted up a total of one hundred and four at this dinner. It was the biggest of all the dinners that grandmother ever had. It was not hard to feed all these people, for everyone brought different kind of foods.

After dinner Jerry and Billy went out to play with the other children. The afternoon seemed to fly. Before Jerry knew it, it was time for them to go home.

When they arrived home, Jerry and his father went down to milk the cows, and after they finished with the cows they came back to the house. Usually it was time to eat supper, but this night nobody was very hungry, and so evdryone ate what he wanted and went to bed. It would not be hard to sleep that night, because they had used up all their energy. Only one thing was wrong: The next day was another school day!

Donnie Brown
8th Grade

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AN ELEGY ON AUTUMN

Autumn, or fall, as it is usually called, is the most horrible - yes, horrible -- time of the year. For example, the weather is so confusing. You get up one morning and the day is nice and warm and you get to thinking that the next day will be the same. But when you step outside the next morning you're in for a big surprise and I'll bet you'll be running for your overcoat before the day is over.

Then, too, in autumn all the leaves begin to die and drop, all the plants and grass wither and die. Even those hated weeds you fought all summer seem to touch your heart as they turn brown and add to the desolation. It becomes a lonesome world when all begins to die. You know that they will return in the spring; but, oh, how far away it seems with winter next on the calendar.

Some people may say it is a glorious prelude to winter. But thinking of what is to follow it hardly seems worth it. Now in winter when you think of what will come next, it makes winter worthwhile; for spring is living again. But autumn is rather a postlude than a prelude, for what follows is certainly not life.

Good old horrible, cursed, confusing, awful autumn will soon be over. . . . . .somehow you sort of hate to see it go!

Mason Edwards
9th Grade

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A CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Have you ever been exceedingly happy about an offer presented to you and then humiliated by feeling unworthy of it? If you have ever experienced this feeling, you can imagine how I felt when Mr. Langan made a proposal to me which startled me considerably.

"Raymond," he said, as I came into his office that memorable June afternoon, "how would you like to go to Country Day School for the next two years?"

"I should like to very much," I said, hardly believing what I had heard. I was too excited to know what I was saying. I was unprepared for this offer.

"Well, think it over a while," he said at last. "Remember it's only a suggestion. I thought you might like the idea."

The following Thursday we visited the school. I was introduced to Mr. James S. Guernsey, the Headmaster of the school. It was a beginning -- a new beginning, so far as I was concerned. An agreement was reached and the necessary forms were procured.

Now as I look back, that first day last June was one of the most memorable days of my life. Though slightly discouraged at first, I soon began to get along with the other boys reasonable well; thus it has been ever since.

This was indeed a change in schedule. I realize that studies at Country Day are not easy, and this realization makes, not only me, but also many others to strive to higher goals.

I do not know how to express my gratitude to Mr. Langan, Mr. Guernsey, and all others who are involved. Their consideration shows me that there are people who are always looking ahead for the welfare of future generations.

Raymond Seaver
11th Grade

SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

It was Tuesday, October 21st. There didn't seem anything unusual about that day. Yes, the sky was blue and the autumn leaves were beautiful, but there are several similar days in October. In spite of appearances, however, this was a most exciting day for Claudia Dotson and me.

When we returned from Atherton, Mrs. Traub informed us that we were to be ready at five o'clock to go to Standiford Field to meet Helen Keller's plane!

We rushed around, and at five, we were ready. We had to wait for a short while at the airport. We had two roses to present to Miss Keller who was coming to Louisville to speak at a banquet given by the Rehabilitation Association.

At last we went outside, and the plane came zooming in. One of my dreams was about to come true!

It was all over in a minute. We were introduced to Miss Keller and her companion, Miss Thompson. Claudia gave her the flowers, and Miss Keller herself thanked her.

Yes, it was a short interview, I came away conscious that this was an experience that I should always remember. Miss Keller is a remarkable person, and I feel grateful that I had the opportunity of meeting her.

Louise Rogers
12th Grade

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WHO'S NEW AT K.S.B.?

When certain events occur that are especially pleasing to us, we enjoy passing them on to others. For example: Did you hear what Mr. William English did a short time after the closing of school last June? As you know, Mr. English is K.S.B. wrestling coach. Well, they say that his first year as coach was so successful and made such a big hit with him, he decided that he would marry and bring his wife to share his success. Whether or not all of this is completely true, I just couldn't say; nevertheless, it's been going around since the opening of school. However, I wouldn't advise you to ask Mr. English. He might be just a little modest.

We really aren't greatly concerned with how Mrs. English happened to come, but we certainly are glad that she is here. Mrs. English is origanally from Northern Wisconsin. Both she and Mr. English attended Cornell College in Iowa. Before Mrs. English came to Louisville, she taught elementary art in Wisconsin Rapids. Although she conducts a few art classes, she mostly teaches English. I feel sure that the other Atherton students will agree that Mrs. English is a wonderful reader. Since most of our text books aren't available in braille, she reads a great deal to us. We consider ourselves very lucky to have a person like Mrs. English among us. We only hope that she enjoys being with us as much as we enjoy being with her.

We are indeed privileged to have Mrs. Bennett from Joliette, Illinois as our new Physical Education Instructor. Mrs. Bennett majored in this subject at MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Illinois. After teaching one year at Hartford, Wisconsin, Mrs. Bennett taught at the North Carolina School for the Blind. However, we have the Seminary to thank for bringing her to Louisville, because her husband is continuing his studies there. Mrs. Bennett, it is our sincere wish that K.S.B. meets all your desires and expectations. Here's a bit of advice: Don't ever let those students over do you, for they will as you probably have already found out.

To most of us, Mr. Herman Davis isn't a new comer by any means. Mr. Davis is a former K.S.B. student. For the past two years, he has been a coach at the Oklahoma School for the Blind. Now, besides attending night school at the University of Louisville, Mr. Davis is our assistant coach and boys' supervisor. We should like to extend to Mr. Davis a big welcome back to Louisville. We hope that he gets from teaching as big a thrill as from being taught.

Speaking for the entire student body, "Mr. Langan, we have come to the conclusion that you have a hidden talent when it comes to selecting our faculty."

Claudia Dotson
12th Grade

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(Editor's Note: Safely hidden away in the files of the Kentucky School for the Blind is a copy of BIOGRAPHY OF THE BLIND by James Wilson, printed in Belfast in 1821. Because this rare volume may be the only copy in existence in this country and cannot be made available to our many readers and people in work for the blind, articles from it will appear in the Kentucky Colonel from time to time. We think the short biographies of the lives of these early "poets, philosophers, artists, etc., including the lives of all those from Homer down to the present day, who have distinguished themselves" make interesting reading today.)

A Short Account
of
JOHN GOWER

One of our most ancient English Poets, cotemporary with Chaucer, and his intimate Friend.

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But age has rusted what the Poet writ;
Worne out his language, and obscured his wit:
In vain he jests in his unpolished strain,
And tries to make his readers laugh in vain.

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Of what family, or in what county this Poet was born, is uncertain. He studied the Law, and was sometime a member of the Society of Lincoln's Inn, where his acquaintance with Chaucer began. Some have asserted that he was a Judge, but this is by no means certain. In the first year of Henry the 4th. he became blind, a misfortune which he laments in one of his Latin Poems. He died in the year 1402, and was buried in Saint Mary Overie; which Church he had rebuilt chiefly at his own expense, so that he must have lived in affluent circumstances. His tomb was magnificently and curiously ornamented. It still remains, but hath been repaired in latter times: From the collar of S. S. round the neck of his effigies, which lies upon the tomb, it is conjectured that he had been knighted. As to his character as a man it is impossible, at this distance of time, to say anything with certainty. With regard to his Poetical talents, he was certainly admired at the time when he wrote, though a modern reader may find it difficult to discover much harmony or genius in any of his compositions. He wrote first SPECULUM MEDITANTIS, in French in ten books. There are two copies of this in the Bodlean library---2 Voxclamantis, in Latin verse, in seven books, preserved also in the Bodlean library, and in that of All-souls. It is a chronicle of the insurrection of the commons in the reign of Richard the 2nd. The first Edition of CONFESSIO AMANTIS, was printed at Westminster, by Caxton in 1493; and the second and third Edition was printed in London, in the years 1532, and 1554. It is a sort of practical system of morality, interspersed with a variety of moral tales, 4to. DEVIGE HENRICO, 4to. printed in Chaucer's Works. There are likewise several historical tracts, in M. S. written by our Author, which are to be found in different libraries; also some short poems printed in Chaucer's Works.

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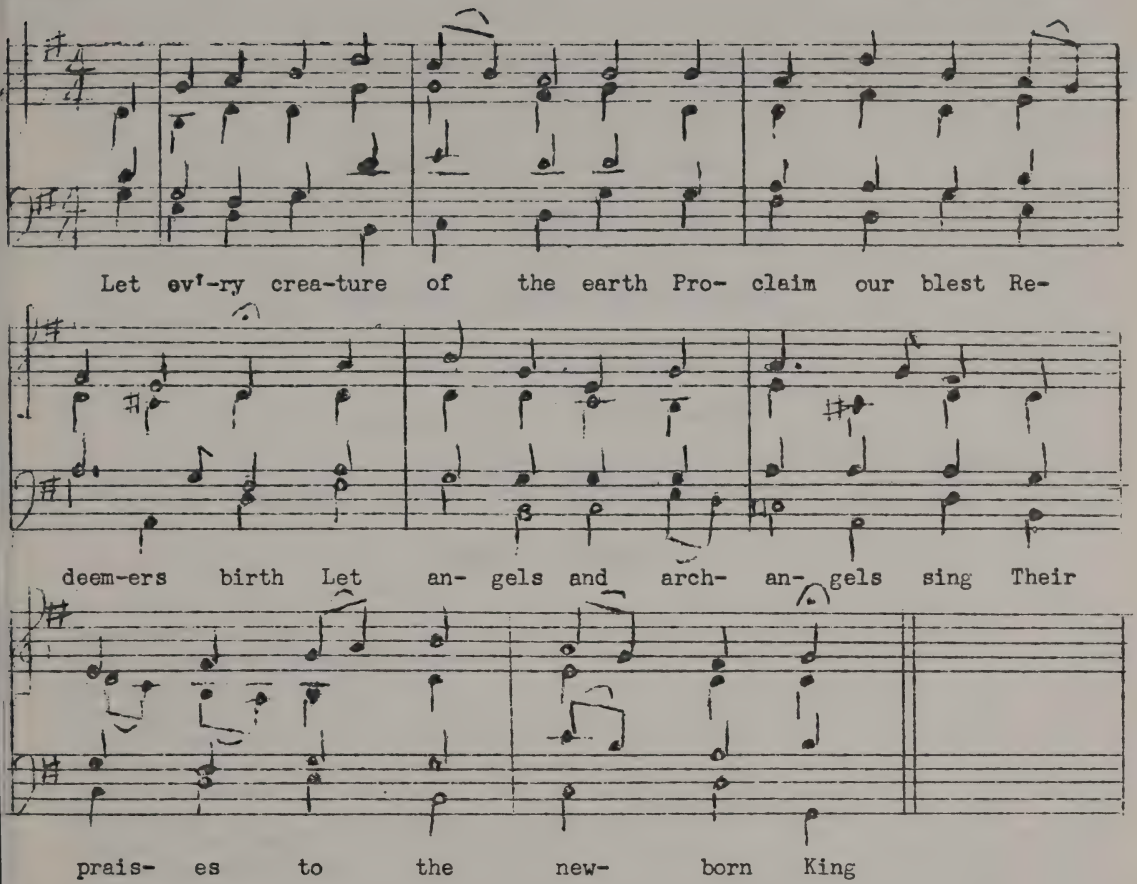
Raymond Seaver



2. Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel
In Christ, the King, Immanuel;
For shepherds of the field draw nigh
To where the Holy Child doth lie.

3. Now let us, therefore, in amaze
Upon this wondrous token gaze
And wonder at that radiant light
That shineth o'er His crib this night

4. O God the Father we adore
And bless Thy Name for evermore
With Son and Holy Spirit be
One Holy, Blessed, Trinity

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SELF GOVERNMENT IN PRIMARY GRADES

The third and fourth grades have decided to start our own self-government. We have elected a president, a vice president and student council.

All officers are either elected or appointed every two weeks so that everyone can have a chance to serve. The president appoints the following officers: A person to put up the windows in each room; a person to take care of the keys; an official bell-ringer; and a playground attendant, who is to report to the teachers any trouble which may come up. The vice president serves if the president is sick.

The student council is a committee of three people, elected from the third and fourth grades. It meets every Wednesday and talks about problems. So far, the Council has made good laws about picking up paper, taking care of property,and being neat.

Everyone is having fun working together to make the third and fourth grades the best classes in the school.

Joe Howerton
4th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

The season of 1952-53 is passing fairly quickly, and the music department is well occupied. Our organ instructor, Mr. Hobbs, resigned to take a position in Indianapolis, and we are indeed fortunate to have as his successor, Mr. Philip Malpas, who comes to us from Sandusky, Ohio. English born, he was a student at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and also at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore.

Some of our students have been privileged to attend musical programs of note in the past few weeks. On February 1 the Community Concert Association presented Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops Tour Orchestra, playing various standard and light favorites. The Chamber Music Society offered, on February 8, a concert by the New York Quartet, one of the finest ensembles in the country; works by Beethoven, Chauson, and Schumann were performed. Finally, on Friday evening, February 13, the famed Budapest String Quartet played a concert of music by Brahms, Mozart, Wolf, and Ravel.

Louis Knipp took second place with an Honorable Mention in the Louisville Orchestra's auditions for high school pianists on Saturday, February 14. Raymond Seaver and Louis Knipp will, in April, present for the Louisville Arts Club a program ranging from serious piano works to light comedy and vaudeville numbers.

The music department will send several students to represent our school in the music festival to be held at the North Carolina School for the Blind in Raleigh, March 20-22.

The mixed chorus is engaged in preparing the music for the various events that occur with the close of school in the late spring.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

BOY SCOUTS

At the Court-of-Honor Meeting in December eleven boys joined Troop 10. Besides these, twelve boys received merit badges. This is one of the largest number of boys to be admitted to the troop in its entire history. We hope to have at least one Star Scout by the end of this school year.

At the January meeting of the Seneca District Officers, Troop 10 received a red and gold ribbon as national recognition for the number of scouts admitted to the troop in 1952. We were also presented with three small liberty bells in tribute for the work of the Troop Committee, Troop Programs, and Advancement.

Also in January, eleven boys represented K.S.B. Troop at a program held in the auditorium of Manual High School. Pee Wee Reese was the speaker at this program. This was to recognize all the scouts of the Louisville Area who had joined scouting in 1952. We received a reproduction of the horseshoe of Gene Autry's horse, Champion, for the number of boys who joined our troop last year.

On February 10 the Seneca District Officers held their monthly meeting in Huntoon House. Troop 10 presented a short program for the officers -- the color ceremony, led by Bobby Barnes; two marches played by the drum and bugle corps; and the singing of a few songs by the entire troop.

Troop 223 of the Third Lutheran Church visited Troop 10 on February 12. We presented an informal program during which we sang songs and played games. A hearty invitation is extended to Troop 223 to return soon.

Schools for the Blind from nearby States have been invited to attend a Midwest Scout Jamboree on April 17-19. K.S.B. Troop 10 will be the hosts, and so far several schools have accepted our invitation.

Raymond Randles
11th Grade

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

The primary department stands far ahead of all classes in the field of entertainment. These children can give a program on practically every holiday and on other occasions, too. Their valentine program in chapel began by Daniel Senters reading a story of how St. Valentine's Day originated. The first and second graders then sang three songs: "When You Send a Valentine," "Will you Be My Valentine?" and "What Shall We Take When We Go To Play?" Some of the children recited poems, and Gary Jones played "To My Valentine" on the piano.

One of the most unusual chapel programs was held on the World Day of Prayer, when we followed the African plan of service. A long roll on the drums by James Rader opened the service, and this was followed with the song, "Sweet Hour of Prayer." The Scripture was read by several children who either recited some verses or actually read from the Bible. Everyone left the auditorium singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

"Adventures of Daniel Boone," a descriptive record from Children's Record Guild, was enjoyed one morning. This was especially appropriate since poems about Daniel Boone had been read the preceding mornings.

Other students besides the children in the primary department contributed to the chapel programs, too. The morning Larry Hutson and B.T. Kimbrough played piano, each a solo and then a duet with Mr. Mootz, was outstanding. We are all eagerly looking forward to the full program of duets promised us.

Alice Napier
12th Grade

NEWS ROUND-UP

The Chorus Club sponsored a dance for the visiting wrestling team of the Ohio School for the Blind, which was held on Saturday evening, February 21. We should like to congratulate the program committee on its excellent work in making this dance such a success. Thanks should go also to Miss Hartford for providing the delicious refreshments. The dance was especially joyful because our wrestlers made it a victory dance.

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Our Pep Club seems to be taking the lead in the social activities this year. Shortly after Christmas, a very successful, well planned dance was given for all the students. For the first time since K.S.B. has had its very fine wrestling team, a large group of boys and girls had the privilege of going along with the boys to a meet which was held in Bloomington, Indiana. All the club members extend a big "thanks" to Mr. Langan, Mr. Howser, Mr. and Mrs. English, Mr. Richie, and Mr. Davis who made this delightful trip possible. We also wish to thank Miss Hartford, who is always so willing to prepare the lunches and refreshments for our different activities. Speaking on behalf of the student body, "Let's do it again." Since the Pep Club was organized only last year, it deserves a great deal of credit for the interest and school spirit that it has aroused.

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In order to promote interest in our school paper, we have begun a class for the editors. We meet once a week with our advisers, Miss Martha C. Schneider and Mr. Roy G. Haynes, to discuss items that might be suitable for the paper. We feel that these frequent meetings will help us improve our "Kentucky Colonel."

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The Iowa School for the Blind is holding a speech festival in May. K.S.B. along with all other Schools for the Blind throughout the United States, will be represented. Although we have entered the Speech Festivals held annually for the public high schools in Louisville, we have never participated in a national one. Therefore, this trip will be one of the most exciting experiences that we could have, for we will meet and become acquainted with students of every school. The speech class certainly wants to thank Miss Wash, our teacher, and Mr. Langan for allowing us to take part in this new activity.

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From the very beginning of this year, we learned that there is real enjoyment in gym. At first we did different kinds of rolling and balancing exercises. We used all our strength and effort trying to stand on our heads, or to succeed in something else that seemed most difficult. We also worked on pyramids. After Thanksgiving we began square dancing which continued until Christmas. In case you haven't heard our noise, we have been tap dancing since then. Now that we have learned several dances, we are expecting to give a program in April.

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We should like to send our best wishes for a speedyrecovery to Mrs. Eva Hayes, our fourth-grade teacher, who has been in the Baptist Hospital for some time. We hope that you will be well enough to return to us soon, Mrs. Hayes, for we miss you very much.

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Seven students from K.S.B. accompanied by Miss Wash and Mrs. Traub, joined the Christmas Caravan again this year. This Caravan is an annual event, the purpose being to distribute gifts to the patients at Central State Hospital, and all schools in Jefferson County are represented. Our gifts were made in the sewing and handwork classes, the girls' Etiquette Club, and in the advanced typewriting classes.

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(The above items were contributed by Louise Rogers, Claudia Dotson, Alma Jean White, and Flonnie Howard.)

STUDENT ACCOLADE

We always like to congratulate students who are fine citizens in the community. Louis Knipp was organist at St. Mark's Episcopal Church from December 28 to February 8.

Before leaving to take a new position in Indianapolis, Mr. Hobbs arranged for Louis to play the organ for the services. Louis accepted his new position and his performance received much publicity, including a complete story in the Louisville "Courier Journal." Louis retired his position after Mr. Philip Malpas, the new organist and choirmaster, arrived.

We at K.S.B. know that this is only one step in a successful career for Louis.

Raymond Seaver, 11th Grade

COMPLIMENTS

The following letter was written as an eighth grade assignment on "courtesy" letters. The editors of "The Kentucky Colonel" are happy to receive such compliments, especially when the teacher of this pupil expressed her own opinion:- "I myself do think it is the best of the several school magazines which I quite often read." Here is the student's letter:

School for the Blind
Overlea 6, Maryland

Dear Mr. Langan:

I like your school paper very much. I enjoyed the editorial about being a citizen of your school, by Tommy Frommel.

We have a school paper called the "Maryland Oriole" which is much like your school paper. Your social notes correspond with our "Boy and Girl News."

We all look forward to receiving "The Kentucky Colonel."

Sincerely yours,

Laurene Taylor

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

THE DOG-HOUSE BLUES

It's hard to stay out of the dog-house when you have as many lessons as I have had this week. I had so many, in fact, that they put me in the dog-house but good!

It started when I had to see my music teacher. I went in, and the lesson started just like any other; but how it finally ended!

The piece that I was working on at the time was called "The French Song." Right at first I could tell that my teacher wasn't in a good mood, and when the lesson ended he was roaring mad.

He said, "B.T.,play as much as you know of 'The French Song'."

I said, "All right," and began to play. I made so many mistakes that he couldn't stand it.

He said, "B.T. Kimbrough, I never knew that you could play so badly. And just for that, you lazy, good-for-nothing boy, you will stay in at recess and at four o'clock every day until you can give me a better lesson. The lesson has to be satisfactory to cut off one of the periods and perfect to cut them both."

At that I got so excited that I began to jump up and down, and he gave me a shove while I was off balance that sent me flying out the door.

I had to write a paper for my writing class, so I wrote this story. I put it in my pillow-slip for safe-keeping until morning, but when classtime came, I couldn't find my paper. Now, here I sit in the dog-house writing the lesson over.

All this really happened, so you can easily see why I am singing "The Dog-House Blues."

B. T. Kimbrough
5th Grade

RIDDLES

WHAT AM I?

Sometimes I'm your friend; sometimes I'm your enemy. Sometimes I'm yellow; sometimes I'm red. Sometimes I'll hurt you badly, and sometimes I won't. Can you guess who I am?

Answer: Fire.

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You look at me in the morning; you look at me at night. You go all through me. You throw me down on the floor. Can you guess what I am?

Answer: Newspaper

Delores Schanding
6th Grade

REWARD FROM SANTA

Every year at Christmas time the Jefferson County Department of Recreation gives a doll to the little girl who writes the best letter to Mrs. Santa Claus telling what her handicap is, and what she is doing to overcome it. This year, I won Susan.

Miss Wash presented her to me in chapel just after we came back from our Christmas holiday.

Susan's dress is red and white velvetine with white fur trimming. She has big, blue eyes and yellow curls. She is a beautiful little doll, and I love her very much. I play with her every day, and when I go home I shall take her with me so that my mother and father may see her.

I am proud of her, and I shall keep her forever.

Glenda Lee Glenn
3rd Grade

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SPORTS

With the wrestling season drawn to a close we can now look back and judge for ourselves as to whether or not the season has been successful. We on the team think that it has been a most successful year, and we hope that you will agree with us.

Our wrestling schedule this year was the largest ever undertaken by a K.S.B. squad. We had eleven meets, one of which was a triangular, eight dual meets, and two tournaments. Of the nine meets, other than tournaments, we won eight, losing only to the Shortridge High School (of Indianapolis). The triangular meet victory was accomplished by overwhelming Kansas and Missouri.

Five of our eight dual meets were against public high schools of Indiana. We were victorious in four of them. The remaining three dual meets, which were with other schools for the blind, found us all victorious.

Tournament time found us ready and willing to mix with all comers. The Mid-western tournament had ten schools competing in it. The Eastern tournament had eleven schools represented. All in all we competed against boys from nineteen schools for the blind in these two tournaments. In the Mid-western tournament we tied with Iowa for sixth place, and in the Eastern meet we were lacking only two points of tying Virginia for the team championship. K.S.B. was second.

Some of the boys deserve special mention for their fine showing this season. Particularly outstanding were Bert Boyer, in the 95-lb. class, and Robert Page in the 112 lb. and 120 lb. classes. Both boys were victorious in thirteen of their fifteen individual bouts. Also, they both captured first place in the Eastern tournament, Robert Page pinning all four of his opponents to be the high individual scorer of the entire tournament. Bert also took third place in his weight class in the Mid-western tournament. Robert pinned twelve of his opponents this year.

In the 103 lb. class David Murrell had a seven won -three lost record as he took fourth place in the Mid-western tournament and third place in the Eastern meet. Will D. Evans, 120 lbs. and 127 lbs., was co-captain of this year's squad, and he also took fourth place in the Eastern tournament. Donnie Adams, in the 138 lb. class, was our other co-captain. Donnie did a very workmanlike job as he mowed down three opponents in the Eastern meet, only to lose in the finals. Manus Castle, 145 lbs., won first place in the Mid-western meet, and Billy Stanley won fourth place in the same tournament. George Huddleston, 127-133 lbs., and Tommy Frommel, 133-138-145-154 lb. weight classes, comprised the remainder of our varsity squad.

At the end of our season Donnie Adams and Will Evans were elected co-captains for this year's team. Also Bert Boyer was awarded a name plaque as the Most Improved Wrestler of the squad, and Robert Page was awarded a similar name plaque as the Boy Who Was Most Valuable to the Team.

The following are the results of our meets:

K.S.B.	Opponents
52	Missouri 44 Kansas 35
24	Bloomington (Ind.) High School Reserves 18
16	Shortridge High School Reserves 22
20	University High School (Ind.) 12
23	Richmond (Ind.) High School 18
18	Missouri School for the Blind 15
34	University High School 8
19	Arkansas School for the Blind 10
30	Ohio School for the Blind 4

The following boys received Major Letters "K" for their wrestling efforts:

Bert Boyer	Tommy Frommel
David Murrell	Donnie Adams
Robert Page	Manus Castle
Will Evans	Billy Stanley
George Huddleston	

The following boys received Minor Letters:

Elwood Miracle
James Hopkins
Donald Brown
Martin Sutton (Manager of team)

The following boys received Junior Varsity Letters:

Mason Hall	Robert Barnes
John Ballard	James H. Robinson
Gerald Norton	Melvin Mattingly

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Written by Members of the
Wrestling Team

SPORT PUBLICITY

The K.S.B. wrestling squad has been indeed fortunate and highly privileged to receive notable television publicity in the past few weeks. To begin with, on Thursday evening, January 29, our athletic coach, Mr. Bill English, and his assistant, Mr. Herman Davis, were invited to appear on Ed Kallay's sports show, a nightly feature of WAVE-TV. Their objective was to promote amateur wrestling in the public high schools of this area.

Coach English was subsequently re-invited the following Thursday. Along with him were two of his athletes, David Murrell and Robert Page, 103 and 120 pound weight classes, respectively, the purpose being to demonstrate to the visual audience certain techniques and procedures in amateur wrestling.

The boys have been gratified and stimulated by the publicity received throughout the season, and they wish to express their sincere appreciation to Irving Jeffries, Ed Kallay, and all others concerned in this field.

Louis Knipp, 12th Grade
James Rader, 11th Grade

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Editor's Note: The following letter was received from Mr. Berry, faculty member of University High School of Bloomington, Indiana, after our wrestling meet.

February 5, 1953
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Bill:

It was sure swell of you folks to have us down for the dinner, wrestling meet, and above all, the opportunity to learn about you and your school.

K.S.B. has been the topic of conversation around our place, in and out of classes since Tuesday morning.

We were deeply impressed by the attitude, independence and seemingly good adjustment your boys and girls make to their limited situation. Some teachers, after hearing about the trip to Louisville from some member of the wrestling team, have stopped me to tell me what a wonderful experience it was for the team. I have been invited to talk to two classes to tell of our experiences down at K.S.B. The fact that we lost the meet is a rather insignificant detail that has taken a back seat to a genuine interest in Braille writing, reading, maps, and how your folks live.

Tell your team that we really appreciate what you have done for us, and that they have taught us a lot besides the fact that we are poorer wrestlers.

I am also sending a couple of clippings from our local "Scoop Sheet" that I feel you will be interested in.

Good luck to you and your team in future meets and let us hear how you make out.

Sincerely,

George Berry

P.S. The school papers you sent home with us have been seen by most of our faculty and student body and have aroused a lot of interest. Thanks sincerely.

G.A.B.

AN EASTER LETTER

1867 Frankfort Avenue
Louisville, Kentucky
March 18, 1953

Dear Easter Bunny:

My name is Betty Lou, and I am writing to tell you what I would like to have for Easter. I hope that you will bring me these things:

First, I would like to have an Easter basket full of candy, and a rabbit with a cotton tail. Then, I would like a big basket full of Easter Eggs.

I will have my Easter basket ready and waiting for you to fill with these nice things. I hope you will bring your Easter joy to all the little boys and girls all over the world this year.

I will be waiting for you, so please think of me at Easter time.

Your friend,

Betty Lou Graves
3rd Grade

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

COLORADO

*** N SUMMER, the State of Colorado can boast the most perfect climate
* of any State in the Union -- hot in the sun, cool in the shade,
* blankets needed every night for the most restful sleep ever ex-
* perienced. It wasn't until this winter, during the Christmas
* holidays, that I knew the winters there could be just as invigo-
*** rating. When the average person in our part of the country thinks of winters in the West, particularly in the mountainous sections, he envisions snow five to ten feet deep, with the thermometer below zero. What an erroneous thought! True, the temperature may be hovering near the zero mark, but without reading the thermometer one would not judge the air to be so cold. It has seemed much colder (with the Weather Bureau assuring us that the reading at the airport was above freezing) right here in our city -- especially while waiting ten minutes on a windy corner for a bus!

The holiday season is a busy time for railroads, and because of the heavy travel the trip to Denver was not the most pleasant part of the vacation. After spending a night in an upper berth, with an "airplane" roaring constantly beside you, you would understand. What was responsible for the unspeakable roar is still a mystery. It could have been anything from an antiquated ventilating system to sonorous breathing of fellow passengers, amplified a hundred-fold. The vintage of that particular Pullman car is anyone's guess.

Although the thought of mountains is usually uppermost in a person's mind when Colorado is mentioned, the city of Denver, known as the "Gateway of the Scenic West," is some miles from the "hills." A city ordinance prohibits the construction of high buildings, for these would obstruct the beautiful view of the distant mountains. Bus trips are scheduled twice daily to the Denver Mountains Parks, the driver acting as guide and commentator. The most impressive sight on one of these trips was the magnificent Red Rocks Amphitheater, all of natural setting, with only the seats for the audience being man-made. Acoustics are perfect, being fashioned by nature with huge red rocks flanking each side of the amphitheater, and the stage backed by another giant rock. Buffalo Bill's grave, a-top Lookout Mountain, is another point of interest in this circle tour.

The train ride to Colorado Springs --another "must" on the list of tours -- afforded a new experience. Although pictures of the beautiful, steamlined Vista-Dome cars on the western railroads are familiar to most of us, it wasn't until this trip to "The Springs" was taken (no one in Colorado says "Colorado Springs") that I had the thrill of viewing such spectacular scenery on three sides simultaneously. It seemed as though the mountains were coming toward us! Since Denverites find it necessary to travel if they wish to participate in some of the winter sports, the train was crowded with young people eager for a week-end of skiing.

It was here in Colorado Springs that I experienced the most gratifying day of my vacation -- a visit to the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind. The children and the teachers, naturally, were home for the holidays, but Dr. Alfred L. Brown, Superintendent, with his genial personality and his apparent pleasure at having a visitor with kindred interests, was a perfect host and guide. His first question about the Kentucky School was, "Do you teach square dancing?" From this one query I learned much about his hobby. The boys and girls are so well trained in this form of the dance they are invited to give performances in nearby communities. Dr. Brown himself teaches this activity, and it is he who calls the figures for the dancers. These participants are students from the School for the Deaf; but another group from the School for the Blind, the orchestra, travels with the dancers. Little wonder, then, that Dr. Brown so proudly displays the framed photographs of his costumed groups!

The cheerful, spacious dining rooms and huge kitchens with modern conveniences and appliances gave evidence of hearty, enjoyable meals. Reluctantly, and only because other arrangements had previously been made, the superintendent's kind invitation to lunch had to be declined. A "rain-check," however, was taken on this invitation!

The new school building on the campus is Dr. Brown's pride and joy, and justifiably so. Of modern design, it is equipped with every necessity and comfort. Windows comprise an entire side of every classroom, and it was from one of these rooms that Pikes Peak and other mountains, capped with snow and majestic in the bright sunshine, were pointed out. Pikes Peak! --where, one midnight years ago, a group of us drove to its summit in order to see the sun rise the next morning. What happened? The sun forgot to rise! I've never quite forgiven Old Sol; but it can safely be wagered that <u>this</u> was one of the few mornings in the entire year the sun was not visible, for it shines practically every day in Colorado.

Kentucky can surely claim the distinction of having true Southern Hospitality; Denver can be equally proud in its spirit of Western Hospitality. Nowhere else could people be more friendly, more eager to help, more interested in newcomers or visitors. Should an opportunity present itself again, my slogan will be "Colorado, here I come."

Martha C. Schneider
Teacher, Typewriting

WINNIPEG CALLING

**** URING THE CHRISTMAS VACATION we drove 1250 miles northwest
* * to Winnipeg, reported in the COURIER JOURNAL frequently as
* * the coldest spot on record, and three times this winter its
* * temperature was reported nearly 100 degrees colder than here.
* * It was only 30-40 degrees colder during our visit, and no
**** snow. Our boys, Jimmy, five, and David, three, could not imagine a Canadian winter without snow.

The trip itself was fairly uneventful, except for drizzly rain and ice along the Wisconsin-Iowa border. Around midnight all except the driver were asleep. We rounded a curve, the car did a graceful "figure eight" and landed us in a ditch. We changed drivers and continued slow driving on icy roads all night. At daylight we did a repeat performance of the "Whirling Dervish," narrowly escaping a deep ditch. Although the road were dangerous and the storm had caused considerable damage, the country was beautiful; trees, broken phone and power lines hanging with glittering ice -- truly a "Winter Wonderland."

Crossing the border is a simple procedure. For a short visit, Americans need their birth certificates to show the Customs; for extended visits, visas are necessary. For folks like ourselves, living in the United States on a permanent visa, border-crossing cards are issued which must be shown each time the border is crossed. At the present time there is no difficulty with money exchange as the Canadian dollar is worth just a few cents more than the American dollar. The children were very disappointed in the border. They expected great banks of snow on the Canadian side, a visible proof that we had arrived in Canada.

Winnipeg is 80 miles north of the border, situated at the junction of the Assinniboine and Red Rivers. Its population is approximately 400,000, and it is becoming quite an industrial center. It also is the headquarters for many mining concerns. However, its real prowess is the wheat pool. The shipping of the wheat necessitates the largest railroad yards in the world for which "The Gateway to the West" is famous. Besides all these great accomplishments, and far surpassing them all, Winnipeg is "Home."

Mrs. Eva Barrett
Teacher, Domestic Science

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EDITORIAL

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY IN THE UNITED STATES

A great problem which is threatening our national welfare is juvenile delinquency. What is juvenile delinquency and what are some of its causes? Are we doing anything to prevent it?

One of the chief causes of this "children's disease" is a child's unwillingness to understand the world around him. When he sees that he is neglected, he feels that everyone hates him, and that he must strike back at everyone who makes him unhappy. He discusses his problem with friends, and they decide to band together; thus gangs are organized for the purpose of "getting even" with established society. Examples such as this usually exist in comparatively poor residential districts. But are these places the only dwellings of juvenile delinquency?

To a great extent this is true. However, one hears of a few cases of robbery done by children of lower and upper middle-class families. In such instances, too, the motive is either revenge or exhibitionism. Most child psychiatrists tell us that in such cases which involve the middle class, the rude behavior of children is caused by lack of consideration on the part of the parents. Open discussions with the parents are not encouraged as they should be.

Many youth organizations are siding in the prevention of juvenile delinquency. Churches, orphanages, and PTA associations are just a few examples of youth welfare organizations that are helping us to cope with this "dreaded disease."

We must always bear in mind that so long as parents and children do not discuss their problems together, juvenile delinquency will continue; so long as youth welfare organizations try to analyze the youth problems in their locality, youth's desire for revenge will vanish; so long as we the youth of America, realize that we will make the future of our nation, we shall influence others and make law-abiding citizens of people who might otherwise be criminals.

Raymond Seaver
11th Grade

FAREWELL TO THE SENIORS

Seven students are graduating from K.S.B. this June. Four of them are also graduating from Atherton High School which they have attended during their junior and senior years. They are Claudia Dotson, Louise Rogers, Alma Jean White, and Will Evans.

Will Evans, who has been quite a wrestling and track star here at K.S.B., plans to enter Murray State Teachers' College next September. There he will study to be a physical education teacher. Good luck, Will; we are all hoping that you will find an attractive blonde to help you with book reports!

We hear that Alma Jean White, Claudia Dotson, Lucille Huddleston and Donnie Adams plan to join the ranks of the wage-earners. Whatever your work may be, we hope you will come out "mighty fine" -- to use an expression we picked up at North Carolina.

Louise Rogers and Louis Knipp plan to go to college. Louis will probably further his studies in music at the University of Louisville. Louise plans to attend Transylvania College.

We should like to say to the seniors on behalf of the entire school, "God bless you all, and may you have the very best of everything, always."

Raymond Randles
11th Grade

HONOR ROLL

(Fifth Marking Period)

Louise Rogers - all A's
Claudia Dotson
Louis Knipp
Donnie Adams
Raymond Randles
Billy Stanley
Tommy Frommel
Bobby Barnes
Gordon Pierce

THE MUSIC BOX

With this issue of "The Music Box" we mark the end of the current season. This spring has proved to be a most active one. To begin with, a group of us represented K.S.B. at a music festival at Raleigh, North Carolina. The Schools for the Blind of North and South Carolina participated along with Kentucky. We were very gratified at being awarded three superiors in piano, one superior in voice, and one excellent for the girls' trio.

On may 16 we took part in another festival at the Indiana School for the Blind in Indianapolis; the choir went along on this one. There were no ratings,as it was not a competitive affair. The work was hard, but the program came off very well.

Raymond Seaver and Louis Knipp gave programs for the Arts Club on April 12, and for Morton Home on May 19. We were quite happy at both the success of these programs and the warm receptions given us.

Among the musical attractions attended by our students were an organ recital by Kenneth Pool of the Baptist Seminary on April 28, and the Contemporary Music Festival at the University of Louisville, May 8-10.

Two students also attended the jazz concert given at Memorial Auditorium by the Benny Goodman and Louis Armstrong units on May 7. We're told it was fabulous.

The music department is now occupied with preparing the music for the annual spring recital, June 7, and for the commencement exercises June 10.

This article also makes the close of four wonderful years on the staff of this paper for your music editor. I have been glad to devote my time and efforts toward such a project and am grateful for the opportunity afforded me. I wish for my successor, for my school, and for the readers of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL the very best of everything always.

Louis Knipp
12th Grade

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Early on the morning of March 19 five students, instead of going to class as usual, set off for Raleigh, North Carolina, accompaied by Mrs. Traub and Mr. Mootz. You haven't heard why? Well, we were going to participate in the first music festival among schools for the blind.

It took two days to make the trip, and fortunately the weather was ideal both days. Since Miss Hartford had provided us with a box of food, we ate our lunches picnic style. As should be expected, the old March wind was right there to carry away paper plates and cups whose owners were not on the alert. We spent the night at a comfortable motel in Kingsport, Tennessee.

We reached the North Carolina School for the Blind about four o' clock on Friday afternoon, and found a group of students awaiting our arrival. That night there was an informal reception held in the recreation room of the girls' dormitory, where everyone became acquainted.

First on the agenda Saturday morning was the piano section. All three of our entries -- Louis Knipp, Raymond Randles, and Louise Rogers- received superior ratings.

After lunch were the orchestral and vocal sections respectively. We had two entries in the vocal division --Raymond Seaver, who received a superior,and a girls' trio consisting of Louise Burkhart, Flonnie Howard, and Louise Rogers, which received an excellent.

Saturday evening each school presented a short program composed chiefly of popular and rhythm numbers making an evening of top entertainment.

Sunday morning dawned with the dismal drip, drip, drip of raindrops. Reluctantly we left our dreams to face the thoughts of a long trip. Again we spent the night at Kingsport, and Monday morning dawned just as gray as Sunday had. The rain ceased when we reached Louisville Monday afternoon.

All in all everyone had a wonderful time, and the experience received was well worth the trip.

Louise Rogers
12th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

On the week-end of April 17-19, the Southwestern Scout Jamboree for schools for the blind was held at Camp Tall Trees near Fort Knox. Five schools were represented: Illinois, Missouri, Alabama, Tennessee, and Kentucky. The weather was bad all three days, making it necessary to hold all events indoors. There was a campfire Friday evening, and it was then that the contest was given for the Scout Oath and the Scout Laws. David Murrell of Kentucky won over a challenging contender from Tennessee.

It snowed on Saturday. Nevertheless, the Scoutcraft contests were held in the morning. The boys visited Fort Knox that afternoon. They went as near the gold vault as is possible, and a guard answered their questions. They also visited the Patten Museum.

At the campfire Saturday evening the boys played games, sang songs, and dicussed the plans for next year's jamboree. The jamboree was over on Sunday morning when the boys returned to their respective schools.

We have just about reached the end of our Scouting year. There will be no trip to the camp this spring, therefore, we are stressing advancement. There are about four boys trying for first class, and eight for second class. Several boys will receive merit badges. Billy Stanley will be a Star Scout before the year is over.

We should like to extend our thanks to Mrs. William B. Allen for all the new Scout uniforms she provided for Troop 10. Mr. Allen bough several uniforms for the troop a number of years ago.

Troop 10 loses three boys this June via graduation; Donnie Adams, Will Evans, and Louis Knipp. They have been fine Scouts, and we are sorry to see them leave. To them we should like to express our wishes for the very best of everything always. The welcome mat will be spread for them any time they wish to return.

Raymond Randles
11th Grade

THE NEWS ROUND-UP

We weren't quite as successful as we should like to have been in the regional speech festival held at Carrollton, Kentucky. In poetry reading, Claudia Dotson received an excellent rating. Louise Rogers, who entered in the serious monologue section, also received an excellent rating. Although these weren't top honors, we feel that our work and participation in this festival were worthwhile.

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This school year has proven to be a successful one in many respects. The pep club is just bursting with pride over the fine success that both the wrestling and track teams have had. Certainly much of the credit goes to Mr. English for his expert coaching.

From all reports, we accomplished our goal at the picnic held at Clifty Falls, Indiana. Since this was the last party to be sponsored by the pep club, we tried to make it our best one. Our thanks -- as always --go to Miss Hartford for the food. Say, that program committee surely knew what everyone liked to eat. Too bad that some of the committee are seniors; for that means no more program committees for them.

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Since there has been so many extra activities going on this year, the chorus club has been taking life easy as far as the planning of parties is concerned. We hope that the boat party made up for those socials that we didn't have during the year.

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On May 14, Mrs. Imogene Risch, one of our former students who is now attending the University of Louisville School of Music, performed in our school auditorium part of a recital which she was to give later at the University. A number of the students and teachers were present. We are proud of Imogene's accomplishments at the University of Louisville.

Claudia Dotson
12th Grade

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

April 15, 1953

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS - Officials of our great Commonwealth of Kentucky have seen fit to provide for us a wonderful new cottage, known as HUNTOON HOUSE, furnished and equipped in an ultra modern manner, and

WHEREAS - We who reside therein are entrusted with the safety and care of same, and

WHEREAS - We believe that a safer and better system of education may be carried on, because of HUNTOON HOUSE,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED - That we, of HUNTOON HOUSE will ever strive to protect all properties therein, to the best of our abilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That we will guard and protect all things entrusted to our care, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That a copy of this RESOLUTION be posted in the HUNTOON HOUSE Recreation Hall, and that expressions of our profound appreciation be sent to the Honorable Lawrence W. Wetherby, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and to Mr. Paul J. Langan, Superintendent of the KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, for their unselfish and untiring efforts in providing for us HUNTOON HOUSE.

Respectfully and sincerely submitted by those who live in HUNTOON HOUSE

Donnie Adams	Will D. Evans	Gary Jones	Gordon Pierce
Johnny Ballard	Arthur Eversole	Denver Keen	Marion Plummer
Bobby Barnes	Tommy Frommel	Reuben Kuykendall	Fred Rader
Bert Boyer	Benny Gibson	Melvin Mattingly	James Rader
Donnie Brown	Jimmy Hopkins	Charles McDowell	Raymond Randles
Donald Bryan	Charles Horton	Elwood Miracle	James Robinson
Manis Castle	Hiram Hoskins	David Murrell	Raymond Seaver
David Devary	George Huddleston	Gerald Norton	Billy Stanley
Mason Edwards	Robert Huddleston	Robert Page	Martin Sutton

Louis Knipp

Louise Grote, Housemother
R. H. Davis, Supervisor
S. J. Richie, Teacher

SPORTS

As we approached the track season we were looking forward to a very successful season.

The first track meet was held at The Illinois School for the Blind on April 25. This meet was between Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky. This was the fifth meeting of these three teams. Illinois was the victor with 32 points, Kentucky took second place with 25 points, and Missouri was third with 15 points. Kentucky had been the winners of four previous meets.

When the M.A.A.B. tournament was held in St. Louis, Illinois again was the winner of the meet. Kentucky was second with 22 points, Missouri was third with 10 points and Kansas was fourth with 7 points.

At the E.A.A.B. tournament at the New York School for the Blind Virginia was first with 30 points, and New York was second with 20 points. We were not at our best and wound up in seventh place with only 2 points.

Two weeks ago Mr. English, our coach, presented letters to the team. Billy Stanley, Will D. Evans, Jimmy Hopkins and Manus Castle were winners of major letters. Mason Edwards, Marion Plummer and George Huddleston were minor letter winners.

Mr. English, our coach, and Mr. Davis, our assistant coach, deserve a lot of credit for the fine job they did with the track team this year.

We are looking forward to a very successful track season next year. I hope next years team can make as good a showing as this years team did.

James Rader
11th Grade

AN EXCITING WEEK-END

On April 17th the girls of K.S.B. eagerly welcomed thirty-five girls from seven other schools for the blind who were to be our guests for the week-end. The girls were from Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

An informal reception was just what we needed at which everybody could get acquainted. Ours was held in the girls' living room on Friday evening. An excellent program had been planned, and we all enjoyed the "get acquainted" games.

Saturday was the big day, and although the weather was decidedly against us, we went ahead with our plans. The play-day program was made up of various types of relays, which kept us busy from nine o'clock until noon. Instead of having competition among schools, there were five teams made up of one girl from each school. Team Five won.

We had planned to have a treasure hunt in the afternoon and a wiener roast that night, but the rain and snow interfered. Nevertheless, we enjoyed ourselves very much just being together and hearing about the different schools.

A talent show held in the auditorium Saturday night concluded the activities. It must have been quite difficult to judge who should be the winners, for the girls displayed their talents well. Shirley Brown and Betty Wheeler from Illinois took first place with a clarinet duet. They were accompanied by Imogene Swan from Ohio. Flonnie Howard and Elsie Willard of Kentucky were second with a dance. Third place went to the West Virginia girls who presented a very cute skit.

Almost before we knew it, it was Sunday morning, and we were saying good-bye to our new friends. We had had such a wonderful week-end that we were sorry to see them leave.

To the many people who worked so hard to make our play-day a success we should like to say, "Thank you very much. We do appreciate what you did for us."

Alma Jean White
12th Grade

VACATION IN KENTUCKY

Feel that soft June breeze? See those beautiful flowers? These things mean that summer is upon us, and it is time to start thinking about that long awaited vacation. You say you haven't selected a spot yet? Let me suggest Kentucky. You say, "I've been to the seashore, and I've seen the mountains. What can Kentucky offer? Let's take an imaginary tour of the Bluegrass State.

Like to try your hand at angling, do you? I've got just the spot for you --cool, clear Kentucky Lake, the world's largest artificial lake. This vital link in the vast TVA system affords excellent fishing for sportsmen from far and wide. After a day's fishing, you might enjoy a moonlight boat ride on the lake. If you decide to spend several days in these ideal surroundings, there are modern cabins just right to make your visit complete.

The Old Kentucky Colonel says, "Why, son, you just have to see the Jefferson Davis Memorial." He's right. Whether you're a Yankee or a Confederate (we don't use that word "rebel"), you will be impressed by this monument. Davis' home at Fairview has been preserved and a shaft 360 feet high has been raised to his memory.

Jesse Stuart, one of Kentucky's greatest poets, says that if you consider the United States as a body, Kentucky is its heart. No wonder then, that two outstanding men in the War Between the States should have come from Kentucky. The strange thing is that they were the opposing leaders. Not far from Davis' home is Hodgenville, where the beautiful Lincoln Memorial is located. A stone building containing the cabin in which Lincoln was born has been erected on a slight rise. It is interesting to note that 56 steps lead up to the edifice --one for each year of the great man's life. On either side of these steps are stately trees whose verdent foliage combines with the deep blue of the southern sky to form a magnificent setting for this memorial to the Man for the Ages.

"The horses are at the starting gate -- and they're off!" Of course, this could mean nothing but a horse race. And what race can compare to the Kentucky Derby? Historic and beautiful Churchill Downs, in Louisville is the home of this world-famous event. Louisville is also one of the largest tobacco markets in the world.

"Weep no more, my lady; oh, weep no more today." No one can ever forget the heart-tugging strains of "My Old Kentucky Home." Stephen Foster was a guest in a stately home in Bardstown when he was inspired to write his immortal song. The house still stands and is open to the public.

Is Mother Nature your first love? If so, you must visit Mammoth Cave, one of the seven wonders of the New World. You may be sweltering in the summer sun when you approach the entrance, but a breeze that almost feels cold will soon make you forget it. You enter and find yourself in a long passageway which widens into a large room. Look up! Are those stars? Wasn't the sun shinning a few minutes ago? Tiny deposits of phosphorous are found in the rock of the ceiling, and at first sight they look like stars twinkling in an inky-black sky. Did you ever hear of eyeless fish? In Echo River, which formed the cave, are fish that have no eyes.

For another kind of natural beauty, let's go to the Bluegrass Region. Here is slightly rolling country neatly parceled into rich farms. An abundance of lime in the soil gives the grass that bluish tint. Here was the home of Man of War and many other famous horses. Lexington is the heart of this region. It is also the second-ranking tobacco market of the state. Nestled among the scenic hills that cradle the Kentucky River is the capital city of Frankfort, on the edge of the Bluegrass.

Like Williamsburg, Virginia, the restoration of which preserves the flavor of colonial life, Renfro Valley, Kentucky, has been restored to depict the pioneer life of early Kentucky. It is one of the few places where a barn dance is broadcast from a real barn. Its library of folk music is the largest collection of our own folk music in this country. The pioneer museum is a treasure house of the furnishings and tools used by the settlers who first crossed the mountains. "The Sunday Morning Gathering," a nation-wide broadcast, carries the true atmosphere of Renfro Valley.

Few things compare with a waterfall for beauty. Only Cumberland Falls in Kentucky, and Victoria Falls in Africa display the breath-taking beauty of the moonbow.

Cumberland Gap, the rift in the mountains through which the first settlers entered "The Great Meadow," is in the southeastern part of the state. Stand in Cumberland Gap and see the hills competing for grandeur, and you will understand why the white man and the Indian struggled so desperately for such a land.

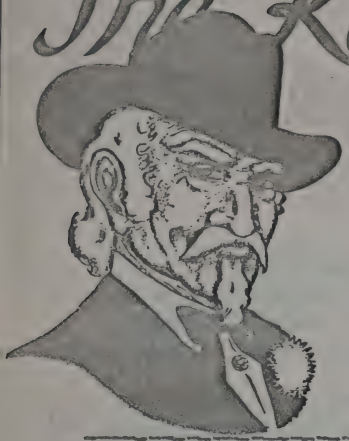
One of the most impressive of all the celebrations held in this country is the Mountain Laurel Festival at Pineville. Colleges send their prettiest coeds, each hoping to be crowned Queen of the Mountain Laurel. You won't want to miss this unforgettable experience.

Have I helped you with your vacation plans? It's wonderful in Kentucky! Come and see how heartily we welcome you.

Raymond Randles
11th Grade

The above article was orginally prepared as a contribution to a speech festival held at the Iowa School for the Blind on May 8 and 9. Although last-minute developments prevented our group from attending this activity, we should like to commend the entire delegation for the many hours of hard work that went into the preparation of the material. Other participants were to have been Louise Rogers, Claudia Dotson, and Louis Knipp.

The Kentucky Colonel



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EDITORIAL

STUDENT AND TEACHER RELATIONSHIPS

PAST AND PRESENT

For centuries, teachers were unable to help their students to solve the problems which were bothering them. This difficulty arose primarily because of the manner in which the teacher approached his pupils. The instructor was king; he could do no wrong.

What were the students' reactions to all this? The answer seems rather obvious, for although the students did not consciously think of taking revenge upon the teachers, that is what it amounted to. Students would often run away from school, break windows or perform other misdemeanors which they knew to be wrong.

Was this student attitude primarily the fault of the teachers? In some instances, yes; in the vast majority, no. Often parents were either too strict or too lenient with their children -- a state which caused many homes to be broken up, and which made the children lose the respect they formerly had had for their parents.

But why do we have a change of attitude today? Both students and teachers are learning that discussing problems with competent advisers creates a better atmosphere for the child. He is allowed to reason with his teachers and, most important, he is given the opportunity to settle misunderstandings with his teachers. A student attitude such as this helps the students not only to become trustworthy citizens of tomorrow, but it also helps the parents to evaluate more highly the wonderful work which the teaching profession is doing for the youth of today.

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

HONOR ROLL

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NEW STAFF MEMBERS

This year at K.S.B. we welcome several new-comers: Miss Marilyn Cain, Miss Joan Pearson, Mrs. Leola Combs, Miss Barbara Parker, and Mr. James Scoggins.

Miss Cain, our nurse, came to us from the Louisville Jewish Hospital where she completed her training. She is a graduate of Jeffersonville High School, and is proud of it. Miss Cain likes her work at our school, and she seems to be a long-time winner in her profession. When asked why she chose nursing, she said, "I like people; and when they are sick they need attention." Along with her many other interests, her favorite is cooking and trying out new recipes.

Miss Pearson, the girls' home economics and physical education teacher, is a graduate of New Albany (Indiana) High School and of Franklin College. At present she is taking an extension course in educational psychology. Like most phys. ed. teachers, she enjoys the out-of-doors, and her favorite sport is tennis. She likes her work here, and we all think she is a very capable and charming addition to the staff.

We are quite fortunate in having Mrs. Leola Combs as relief housemother. Because of her previous work with young people, most of it in 4-H Clubs and in Scouts, she is well qualified for her work with us. She has endeared herself in our hearts, for, having three children of her own, she has already taken us "under her wing."

Miss Parker joins our staff this year as account clerk, replacing Mrs. Louise Solomon who resigned that position last year. Miss Parker is a graduate of J. M. Atherton High School of Louisville. Prior to coming to K.S.B. she was employed at the First National Bank of Louisville. We wish you all the success in the world, Miss Parker, on this your new job.

Although this is his first year as manual training instructor at K.S.B. Mr. Scoggins is by no means a stranger here, having graduated in our class of 1949. A post-graduate course in piano tuning at Perkins Institute was followed by three years of teaching piano tuning and manual training at the West Virginia School for the Blind. Welcome back, Mr. Scoggins, and the best of luck.

Alice Napier, 12th Grade
Tommy Frommel, 11th Grade

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

There have been a number of good programs in chapel since the beginning of the school year. One morning in late September, Louise Burkhart and Flonnie Howard sang a duet, "Little Liza Jane."

During the first week of October, when Miss Schneider conducted the chapel programs, she read some very interesting and humorous stories. And on the last day of that week we had a surprise when Louise Burkhart took charge. This change was made when Miss Schneider learned, through questioning, that the boys and girls were anxious for the experience of conducting these exercises. Also, on that same day, Alice Napier read a poem. We should like to have more student participation.

Have you ever read the story, "Alibi Ike," by Ring Lardner? Mr. Mootz read this to us during the week he directed the chapel program, and all the students enjoyed it thoroughly because of the many laughs it afforded. The ridiculous situations and excuses given were unbelievable.

Mrs. Judd arranged a delightful Hallowe'en program with the primary children for the morning of October 30th; and she also presented a Thanksgiving entertainment with the same group. To give us the real spirit of Thanksgiving, B. T. Kimbrough read an article, "The Horn of Plenty," as an introduction to the songs and recitations which followed. We always enjoy these holiday programs, and wish the primary teachers could bring their classes over to our auditorium more often.

Junior Kuykendall played his electric guitar one morning, while Judson Freeman accompanied him on the piano. Where is other talent for future programs?

CLUB NEWS

PEP CLUB The 1953-54 version of our Pep Club took shape on October 2. Officers were elected as follows: Tommy Frommel, President; Raymond Randles, Vice President; Alice Napier, Secretary-Treasurer. An event thus far sponsored by this club was a treasure hunt, which took place on Hallowe'en night.

Doris Page
12th Grade

TUNING CLUB So far there has been only one meeting of the Tuning Club. We have twenty-one members this year, the second largest group since the club was formed. Seven or eight of these are new members, most of them from the 5th, 6th, and 7th grades.

Only one club official was elected. James Rader, a senior, is President. He was elected unanimously.

At this meeting Mr. Richie arranged for all of us to be treated to a coke. His idea was that the first one to thank him would receive a silver dollar. Tommy Frommel received the award. This shows what courtesy can mean.

It has been decided that the club might go on a little trip next spring, but the place has not been chosen.

We hope to have a meeting every month.

Larry Hutson
7th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

With the beginning of the school year, the music department has resumed its activities. Early in October, we attended a voice recital given by Cesare Siepi, a very prominent basso of the Metropolitan Opera Company. Mr. Siepi sang selections by Durant, Schumann, Richard Strauss, Debussy, and Ravel, as well as others.

On October 25 we attended the opening concert in the Chamber Music Society Series. This program featured Mikolai and Joanna Graudan, piano and cello duo. They performed music by C. P.E. Bach, J.S. Bach, Hindemith, and Beethoven. We also had the pleasure of hearing the Quartetto Italiano on November 22.

Our chorus, under the direction of Mr. William Mootz, is working on its annual Christmas program which we hope to give on Wednesday, December 16. The program will include the cantata "Petit Noel" correlated with other Christmas music.

Last, but not least, we should congratulate Mr. Mootz in his organizing a junior chorus. The purpose of this chorus is to train the younger students to sing properly so that later they will sing in the high school chorus.

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scout program has progressed nicely so far. We have an enrollment of twenty-seven members, one of the largest in quite some time.

The first big event of the year was our trip to camp. We all have a good time when we get together at Covered Bridge Reservation, and this time was no exception. As soon as possible after our arrival, we explored the camp, and this was followed by taking part in many interesting games. After supper there were more games, and then we settled down for the exciting football game (by radio) with our own U. of K. Wildcats. The week-end came to a close after the church service on Sunday morning.

All of the Scouts are working for, and expecting advancements before the close of the year. At present we are looking forward to a wonderful Christmas party sponsored by Troop 10.

Tommy Frommel
11th Grade

SPORTS

We are certainly enthusiastic about our wrestling team this year at K.S.B. While we may not be as good as we were last year, we will certainly be a team to be reckoned with and will give a lot of people some headaches before this season is over. We have already wrestled and won our first match, which was with the Ohio School for the Blind.

David Murrell was the captain at the Ohio match, which we won by a score of 28 to 13. David is a senior and a former letter-man. He will certainly do the team a lot of good this year. He was out a great deal of the season last year, but will be able (if he is not injured again) to wrestle a full season this year. His assistant and the captain for the next match, which is against University High of Bloomington, Indiana, is another outstanding member of the team, Bert Boyer. Bert, in his first season of wrestling, was voted the most-improved wrestler on the team, and we hope he does just as well this year. While we are talking about stars we cannot forget to say something about Robert Page. He is our most valuable wrestler, and his work at Arkansas will not be forgotten for a long time. These three are the stand-outs of the team and will do a lot of damage before the season is over.

By the time this magazine goes to press we will have wrestled University High of Bloomington at K.S.B.; a triangular meet at St. Louis with the Missouri and Kansas Schools for the Blind; and Bloomington High at their school. We will, however, publish these scores in the next "Colonel," and as they will be quite interesting matches, be sure to look for the outcomes.

James H. Robinson
8th Grade

P L A Y D A Y

The annual Play Day for this fall was held in the Illinois School for the Blind with Missouri, Iowa and Kentucky as their guests.

The Kentucky girls (Flonnie Howard, Louise Burkhart, Doris Page, June Coyle, and Alice Napier) and their chaperones (Miss Pearson and Miss Ries) were on the road early October 23rd, but having the farthest to travel they were the last to arrive.

All of the events of Play Day were most interesting and full of fun. A picnic supper at 5:30, followed by group singing, and then a talent show at 7 o'clock were the features for the first evening. K.S.B. girls won second prize in the talent show by their singing and dancing. Illinois won first place.

A two hour tour of the school on Saturday morning; learning new games in the afternoon, after which a "coke hour" was held so that visitors could meet all the Illinois students; and a well planned dance in the evening which we all enjoyed thoroughly, were the high-lights for the second day.

On the ten hour ride back to K.S.B. we were just as lively and eager as on the trip to Illinois, for there were so many things to talk about. All of us will cherish many wonderful memories of this week-end and of all the people who helped make our visit such a pleasant one.

Alice Napier, 12th Grade

A N E W C L A S S

The teachers of the Primary Department have all agreed that the new kindergarten, which was started on November 1st of this year will be of great benefit to the entire school program. They think that most of the children who come to school for their first time do not know how to play very well. The new kindergarten will help the children to learn their way around the school grounds better and perhaps quicker. The teachers also think it will help the children when they get into their regular school work. What happened was this. The first grade and

kindergarten children were divided into two groups, with Mrs. Traub teaching the first grade, and Mrs. Black having the kindergarten. For several years Mrs. Black had the two classes together. And Mrs. Traub is by no means new in this field, for she, too, has taught the combined group before.

Donna Dyer, 7th Grade

WESTWARD HO!

Last April, our Scoutmaster, Mr. Richie, asked me if I should like to attend the Third National Boy Scout Jamboree held on Irvine Ranch, Santa Ana, California. He informed me that the Lions Club would sponsor one boy from Troop 10. I told him that I considered it an honor to have been chosen to represent our troop, and that I should be very glad to go.

We boarded our special train on Sunday evening, July 12, preparing to pull out early the following morning.

Our first major stop was at Grand Canyon on Wednesday. We arrived early in the morning, and a clear view of the gorge was hindered by a blue haze which fills the canyon and doesn't begin to lift until about ten o'clock.

Thursday we arrived at Irvine Ranch. The Jamboree officially opened on Friday evening with an extravaganza depicting the journey and hardships of the pioneers as they pushed on to the Pacific, portrayed with Indians and covered wagons.

The Jamboree was not without a religious life -- on Saturday there was a Jewish service, while Sunday morning was devoted to Catholic, Protestant, and even Buddhist services. Vice President Nixon spoke at a religious convocation held Sunday evening.

The following week was filled with entertainment, with such celebrities as Roy Rogers, the Cisco Kid and Pancho, and Jack Webb and the Los Angeles Police Department coming out to put on excellent shows for us. Tuesday evening was christened "Hollywood Night," for many motion picture stars came to the Jamboree. There were such well-knownstars as Debby Reynolds, Jane Powell, and Danny Kaye. The show was brought to a spectacular close with a gigantic $15,000 fireworks display.

The closing show, on Thursday evening, July 24,was a resume of the many activities of the Jamboree, and an exhibition of how Scouts help in emergencies, such as fires.

Many troops stayed several days after the official closing for tours in the Los Angeles area. The week-end was spent in trips to the Mission of San Juan Capistrano, Mt. Palomar, and Catalina Island.

Monday, the 27th, we again boarded our train in Los Angeles. As if the previous two weeks had not contained enough delightful activities, this week of our return was spent in tours of Salt Lake City, Yellowstone National Park, and Denver. Early on the morning of August 1 our train pulled into Louisville, thus bringing to a close a most enjoyable three weeks.

I should like to thank Mr. Langan, Mr. Richie, the Lions Club, and everyone else who made this trip possible.

Raymond Randles, 12th Grade

A CURIOUS STORY

Finding one's way in a strange town is difficult for the sighted, but how much more so to the visually handicapped? I have a friend, however, who found that such an experience can have a bright side. He is, by the way, visually handicapped. But permit me to tell you his story in his own words:

"I had not seen my friend, Roger Lewis, for what seemed to me eons. At last the long-awaited week-end arrived when I would again see Roger. The day was warm and bright, a perfect day for a trip. The bus sped along the highway, and I grew more excited with each revolution of the wheels.

"I had to change busses in Queenstown, but due to an oversight of the dispatcher not announcing my bus, I had to take one which entered Alexandria by a different road from that which my friend directed me.

"When I reached Alexandria I stepped from the bus not knowing where to turn. I entered an appliance store and inquired of the salesgirl the way to Sylvan Drive. She said she had never heard of the place, but I could ask directions of a service station attendant across the street. I proceeded to that establishment and stated my search. The grease monkey said that Sylvan Drive was three miles back toward Queenstown, and that I could get there by going to the main part of town and catching a Pleasant Avenue bus. He did not, however, indicate the way to the main part of town.

"I again crossed the street and told a grocer of my plight. He said that I could get a Pleasant Avenue bus without going all the way to the main part of town, and indicated the direction I should go to get to the bus. A milkman was there, and he offered to drive me over. It was one of those trucks with no doors and only one seat, so I had to stand. It was a welcomed ride, however, for the sun had become very hot.

"I got the bus, and the driver let me out at Sylvan Drive. But which of the myriad houses was that of Roger? I asked a small boy if he could point out the house, and he took me to the door.

"My friend had become worried about me and had driven to the bus terminal to see if I had arrived. As I sat eating lunch, Roger walked in, and was very much surprised to see me sitting there so calm. I related my adventures with the milk truck and immediately forgot all my difficulties, for I was again with my dearest friend."

Raymond Randles
12th Grade

THE BIG RIDE

The rifles were ready,
The men stood so tall;
They would fight for their country,
Though many would fall.

Their first shot rang out,
And as big chief then dropped,
Without their big leader
The Indians flopped.

The white men then charged,
And the Indians ran --
And with this great charge
The big ride began.

Many miles they did gallop
Over mountain and ridge;
As they topped a big mountain,
They saw a big bridge.

Red men blew up the big bridge;
All Americans there
Were drowned in the river
Without even a prayer.

Larry Hutson, 7th Grade

SCHOOL CALENDAR

December 3, 1953 - Wrestling Meet - University High School (Bloomington, Indiana) - Kentucky School for the Blind

December 5, 1953 - Wrestling Meet - Missouri, Kansas, and Kentucky Schools for the Blind - St. Louis, Missouri

December 10, 1953 - Wrestling Meet - Bloomington High School - Kentucky School for the Blind - Bloomington, Indiana

December 16, 1953 - Christmas Cantata - School Auditorium - 8 P.M.

December 18, 1953 - Christmas Student Dance - 8 - 11 P.M.

December 19, 1953 - Christmas vacation begins

January 3, 1954 - Christmas vacation ends

January 4, 1954 - Classes resumed

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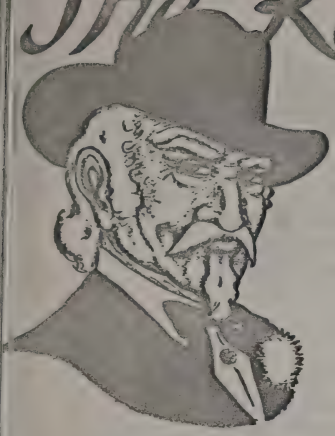

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THE MUSIC BOX

Since the last number of "The Kentucky Colonel" was issued, our music department has been carrying on its usual activities. Our main musical concert was a piano recital given by Artur Rubenstein on January 21. Mr. Rubenstein's program included works by Schumann, Chopin, and Brahms.

The enthusiasm of some of our students has been increased to a considerable extent since January when we had the pleasure of welcoming Mr. Woodrow Bates to our school. Mr. Bates, an alumnus of K. S. B. - - class of 1935, is helping to develop an interest in the performance of popular music. Thus far, the little group organized by him has done well, and we feel that they will be able to play for the final dance at the close of school.

Another valuable asset to our school is Mr. Gedeao Martins, a young Brazilian who is studying violin at the University of Louisville's School of Music. Although Mr. Martins is teaching only one student at the present time, it is hoped that other students will study with him in the near future.

Mr. William Mootz, the piano teacher and choral director, is planning work for both his pianists and his chorus for the annual spring recital which will be given on May 30. More information about this will be in the next issue of "The Kentucky Colonel."

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

BROWNIE TROOP

We have started a Brownie Troop for the girls in the second, third and fourth grades. We have about sixteen girls in our troop and our two leaders, Mrs. English and Miss Pearson.

Most of our meetings so far have been spent in learning about how to be a Brownie. We usually learn a new song and a new game. We have a lot of fun.

We have a room for our very own meeting place, and we have been stenciling curtains to hang in the windows. Mr. Scoggins and some of his boys in the caning department have fixed chairs for us. We're very proud of our room.

At the end of our meetings we have a little treat. For our Valentine's Day party Mrs. Traub brought our treat, heart cookies and red punch.

We bring dues each meeting, and we plan to use our money to fix up our room and for other things we may need.

When spring comes, we are going to have hikes and learn about nature. We sure do like to be Brownies.

Glenda Lee Glenn
Wanda Jean Coogle
4th Grade

SCOUT ACTIVITIES

On Thursday, February 11, at 7 P.M., Troop 10 met in the school auditorium for their annual indoor campfire with Troop 223 from the Third Lutheran Church as their guests. After the usual colors to the flag, the K.S.B. Drum and Bugle Corps played three selections:- "You're in the Army Now," "Semper Fidelis," and "Huntoon House March" composed by our own Scoutmaster, Mr. S. J. Richie. The remainder of the program was devoted to group singing, relays, and special music by both troops. Troop 223 gave their rendition of "Y' All Come," accompanied by the guitar. Three scouts from Troop 10 played the ballad, "My Pa Pa," and "Your Cheating Heart" with vocal by Raymond Seaver. This three piece band consisted of the trumpet, drums and piano. Mr. Richie concluded the meeting by announcing that all scouts should register with him immediately for advancement.

The Drum and Bugle Corps (every member of this organization is a Scout) was invited to entertain the boys at the Veteran's Hospital on Friday, February 19, but because of the illness of Mr. Richie this entertainment could not be given.

Later in the year the Tennessee School for the Blind will hold the annual Scout Jamboree for several schools for the blind. We are looking forward to this trip because Tennessee has a new school which we have never seen.

Tommy Frommel
11th Grade

PEP CLUB

The members of the Pep Club accompanied the wrestling team on their trip to Bloomington, Indiana, on January 27. According to the incessant singing and laughing, the entire group thoroughly enjoyed the little "excursion." Even the losing of the match (32 - 13) did not lower the spirits of the boys and girls on the homeward journey. Perhaps the novelty of having a picnic supper served in the bus on the return trip helped to dispel any gloom that might have overshadowed them; at least, everyone thought this was a lot of fun. A big "thank you" goes to all who made this trip possible.

Alice Napier
12th Grade

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

The Primary Department is the most entertaining group of K.S.B. They never forget to celebrate a holiday or birthday. These children gave a very interesting program in chapel on February 12 honoring Lincoln, Washington, and St. Valentine's Day. During the day they also had a party in honor of these three holidays, and at the same time they celebrated the birthday of every child in the class.

The primary grades have many interested visitors. On the 21st of January, Brownie Troop No. 7 from New Albany, Indiana, visited them and brought treats. Each group enjoyed making acquaintances and learning how similar their work and play is.

Alice Napier
12th Grade

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

MRS. SCOGGINS

As most of you know, we have a new member on the staff since the last edition of "The Colonel" was printed. She is Mrs. James Scoggins.

After graduating from K.S.B. in the class of 1950, Mrs. Scoggins (Sue Cochran) spent the next three and a half years at Murray State Teachers College. She graduated in January of this year, and holds a B.A. degree in social science.

In December, shortly before her graduation, she was married to "our own" James Scoggins; and then, on the first of February she accepted her first position - -three important events in her life in a few short weeks. Mrs. Scoggins is employed as field worker for our school, and she says she is thrilled to be back in K.S.B. And certainly we are just as happy to have her.

Larry Hutson
7th Grade

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MR. MARTINS

Recently a young violinist joined our staff. He is Mr. Gedeao Martins, a student at the University of Louisville School of Music.

Last summer Mr. Dwight Anderson, Dean of Music at the University of Louisville, made a tour of South America to promote modern American Music. While in Brazil Mr. Anderson discovered Mr. Martins, and offered him a scholarship to the University.

Mr. Martins is from the city of Curitiba. He studied at the Institute of Music in his home town, and after graduating continued with private lessons with his former instructor. He entered the University of Louisville in September.

In January Mr. Martins came to K.S.B. as part-time instructor of violin. So far he has only one pupil, but since this is the first time violin has been taught here interest has to be cultivated. We welcome you, Mr. Martins, and we wish you the best of luck in your studies at the University.

Raymond Randles
12th Grade

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

IT ISN'T EASY TO MILK A COW

Did you ever try to milk a cow? I did several times. It always has puzzled me why it is so easy for some people, and so hard for me. When you just stand and watch someone milking, you think it is the easiest thing in the world; but when you try - - well, you just try sometime and see what happens!

One night I went to the barn with my brother to do the milking. I asked him if I might try and see what I could do. He said that I could and handed me the bucket and milk stool. I seated myself on the stool, placed the bucket in its place, and started to work. I tried with all my might, but nothing happened - - not even one little drop.

I turned and looked at the cow who was staring at me, and I could tell by the look in her eyes that she thought it was all my fault. I was trying with all my might. It was she who was holding out on me. I set my teeth, and thought to myself that I would milk her or die in the attempt. Well, I didn't milk her or die either! Finally, I turned her over to my brother, who milked her in no time at all. As I was leaving the barn, my friend turned and looked at me as if to say, "Better luck next time." I thought to myself, "Old girl, there isn't going to be a next time as far as you and I go." There wasn't, either.

Evelyn Willard
11th Grade

JONAH

Jonah, a prophet, who lived long ago
Was sent by God the people to show;
To Nineveh he went to preach and declare
Of the wickedness found in man's heart there.
Repentance, the message, he was to proclaim,
Revise your covenants, renew them again.

Now Jonah was a man who knew his own heart,
From the presence of God he went in the dark;
To another country he fled by way of the sea,
Resisting God's orders, whatever the fee.
He knew from the start that the day would come,
God's judgement upon him - -his work would be done.

A tempest on sea, it did arise;
The sailors were frantic; they loved their lives.
They reasoned together of why this had happened;
God's wrath was upon them, one should be taken.
Jonah was brought from a deck far beneath,
Where he lay undisturbed in the quiet of sleep.

After Jonah confessed of the wrong he had done,
They cast him seaward in the billows of foam.
Before the God of Jonah they knelt in fear.
"Lay not this charge on us," for judgement was near.
After Jonah's departure, the sea became calm.
The sailors then knew God's will had been done.

Now God had prepared a great fish by decision
To swallow Jonah and cause his submission;
Toward Jerusalem he looked and cried unto God,
"To Nineveh I'll go and deliver Thy word."
At that very moment the fish became sore
And Jonah was heaved feet first on the shore.

Tommy Frommel
11th Grade

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A FAMILY

I'll tell you a story, so sad but true,
Which is about a family whose fortunes are few;
For they live in a house, so ragged and cold,
And are often hungry, so I've been told.

There's a woman, a man, and six children, too,
And you'd want to help them if only you knew
That their father's a gambler and brings in no pay,
And their mother stays near them throughout each long day.

Each time they come to us and ask to have food
We cannot refuse them, and we never should;
For there may come a time when we'll be in need,
And unless we help others, we'll never succeed.

If you know a person who's hungry and torn,
Do not forget him and leave him to mourn;
For if you can help him to make a new start,
He'll give you thanks that come from his heart.

Flonnie Howard
12th Grade

S P O R T S

With the conclusion of the Western Tournament we closed our wrestling season here at K.S.B. It was a most successful one from the standpoint of all who are connected with the team. Our record was not as good as last year, but the loss of five major letter-men from last year's squad made the load heavier for every man on the team. Our record was five wins and four losses. We were also involved in two meets, the first of which was a triangular held at the Missouri School for the Blind; and the second was a quadrangular which was held here at K.S.B. We finished a close second in both meets. In the tournaments we performed as most people expected we would. We finished a strong third in the eastern encounter, but a weak seventh in the western campaign. However, our position in the standings of the Western Tournament might have been altered had our star wrestler, Robert Page, not suffered an injury to his arm which kept him from participating. Mason Hall, Bert Boyer, and Robert Page all placed first in the Eastern Tournament, while David Murrell placed second. We were less fortunate in the Western Tournament, with only Bert Boyer and Mason Hall placing. Bert had a second place, while Mason placed third.

Scores of our matches are as follows:

Dual Meets

Kentucky 28	Ohio	13	Kentucky 13	University High	32
" 29	University High	18	" 33	Mater Dei J.V.	8
" 18	Bloomington J.V.	21	" 21	New Castle	27
" 5	Missouri	26	" 20	Mater Dei J.V.	11
" 23	Manual	13			

Triangular

Missouri - -32 Kansas - -26

Kentucky - -27

Quadrangular

Ohio -- 50 Indiana - -20

Kentucky -- 49 Tennessee - -39

In the last edition of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL we mentioned three very outstanding wrestlers from last year's team who were in just about everyone's opinion, the best we had. This has been proven to be true, as most of you know. Bert Boyer turned in his second sensational season, winning sixteen matches and losing only one. Robert Page, who stopped Leonard Ogburn (who won fifty-four straight before Robert beat him) and a lot of other choice competition last year, was again a standout performer. We here at K.S.B. are not the only ones who think Robert is a standout, for he won a trophy for being the most outstanding wrestler in the Eastern Tournament. This year only one senior, David Murrell, will be lost from the wrestling team. He is the other standout of which mention was made in the earlier edition, and he

will be greatly missed next year for he has had much valuable experience which he will be unable to share with the new boys on the team. Another young grappler who has earned the title of standout is Mason Hall. He had more pins to his credit than anyone else on the varsity team. This, plus the ability to win, makes Mason a choice for membership in the Standout Club. While these four boys are really outstanding, they could not have made their brilliant accomplishments without the assistance of all who qualified for a letter, whether it be a major, a minor, or even a J.V. And so it is only fair that the names of all letter winners be published:

Major Letter Winners	Minor Letter Winners
Mason Hall	Melvin Mattingly
Elwood Miracle	Donald Bryan
Bert Boyer	
David Murrell	
Jimmy Hopkins	Manager's Letter
Robert Page	
Donnie Brown	James Rader
George Weir	
George Huddleston	

Most Valuable Wrestler	Most Improved Wrestler
Robert Page	Mason Hall

The records of all the boys who have participated in varsity matches this season are as follows:

	Won	Lost	Tied
Mason Hall	13	5	1
Elwood Miracle	8	4	0
Bert Boyer	16	1	0
David Murrell	11	4	2
Robert Page	14	2	0
Jimmy Hopkins	9	6	1
George Weir	1	9	0
Donnie Brown	2	8	0
George Huddleston	3	8	0
Melvin Mattingly	0	5	0
Tommy Frommel	1	3	1
Donald Bryan	0	1	0
Total of	78	56	

James Harvey Robinson
8th Grade

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Saturday, February 27, Mr. Howser took Robert Page, Raymond Seaver, Raymond Randles, David Murrell and Tommy Frommel to Lexington to visit the University of Kentucky campus. The following article is a report of University Public Relations Department on the trip:

"The other day my office received word that a Kentucky high school troup wanted to visit the University of Kentucky. Now ordinarily there is nothing unusual about our getting such a request because this office often takes visiting groups on tours of the campus.

But this one was different. It was from the Kentucky School for the Blind, Louisville. A group of five students planned to come to SEE the campus!

The boys arrived on a Saturday morning with their instructor, L. P. Howser, and we could hear them laughing and joking as they made their way up the steep stairs of the old Administration Building. Three of them were completely blind and two could see only slightly, but they were boys all the same and they were eager to "get going" on the tour.

Arm in arm and without the traditional white canes of the blind, the boys strolled across the campus, taking curbings and stairways in their stride. At the Engineering Quadrangle, Professor Everett Elsey showed them through electrical, mechanical, and civil engineering laboratories, stopping now and then to describe some interesting feature. The boys were intensely interested, they asked intelligent questions, and they learned what the various pieces of machinery were like by feeling of them.

As is true with all youngsters who come to the campus for the first time, they were anxious to visit Stoll Field and the Memorial Coliseum. A cinder track rims the footbabll field and the boys were not satisfied until they had run around it. They were awed by the size of the Coliseum, and they asked that the names of the World War II dead from their counties be read to them. They were disappointed that no one was available who could talk to them about wrestling, a favorite sport of theirs.

Those five lads probably "saw" things on the University of Kentucky campus better through their fingertips than most of us would have seen them through our eyes. It was an inspiration to have such attentive and cheerful visitors."

SCHOOL CALENDAR

April 15 (noon) - April 19 - Easter Vacation
April 23-24 - - Boy Scout Jamboree - Tennessee School for the Blind
May 30 - - - - - Student Concert - 3 P.M.
June 4 - - - - - Primary Grades Dismissed
June 7 - 8 - - - Examinations
June 9 - - - - - Commencement - 8 P.M.
June 12- 13- - - Alumni Meeting

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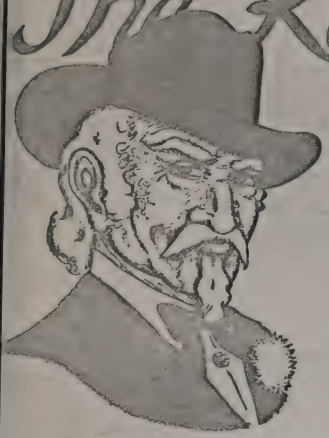

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GRADUATES

LOUISE BURKHART — Wallins Creek, Kentucky

"There are two ways of spreading light -- to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it."

Chairman Program Committee, Pep Club
Cheer Leader
Student Operator, Switchboard
Substitute Assistant, Study Hall for Primary Girls

Member of (Chorus
(Girls' Trio

Sunday School Teacher, K.S.B. Primary Boys

Interested in Singing

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FLONNIE HOWARD — Alpine, Kentucky

"A good neighbor is one who is amiable, courteous and friendly, and who neither indulges in gossip nor listens to it."

Member of (Pep Club
(Chorus
(Girls' Trio

Study Hall Assistant with Primary Girls

Enjoys Weaving and Working with Children

-**-

DAVID MURRELL Covington, Kentucky

"Every man is a volume if you know how to read him."

Junior and Senior Years at Atherton High School, Louisville
Scouts - Senior Patrol
Drum and Bugle Corps
Wrestling Team, Captain
Track Team
Pep Club

Plans to attend college

-**-

ALICE NAPIER East Bernstadt, Kentucky

"Good, like truth, is the same yesterday, today and forever."

Junior Year at Atherton High School, Louisville
Secretary-Treasurer, Pep Club
Cheer Leader
Editor, THE KENTUCKY COLONEL
Student Operator, Switchboard
Chorus
Study Hall Assistant for Primary Girls
Sunday School Teacher, K.S.B. Primary Girls

Would enjoy working as Switchboard Operator

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JAMES RADER London, Kentucky

"Courtesy is the lubricant of life, smoothing rough places, eliminating friction, making pleasant our social relationships."

President, Tuning Club
Manager, Wrestling Team
Scouts - Senior Patrol
Pep Club
Cheer Leader
Drum and Bugle Corps
K.S.B. Band
Chorus

Plans to make piano tuning his profession

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RAYMOND RANDLES Louisville, Kentucky

"You may light another's candle at your own without loss."
(Sharing the light you have with another increases the light all around).

Junior and Senior Years at Atherton High School, Louisville
National Honor Society
Honor Graduate
Vice President, Pep Club
Editor, THE KENTUCKY COLONEL
Scouts - Senior Patrol Leader
Drum Major, Drum and Bugle Corps
Chorus
Sunday School Teacher, K.S.B. Junior Boys
Training Union Leader (Group Captain)
"Youth Week" Pastor, Clifton Baptist Church

Will enter college

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RAYMOND SEAVER Ashland, Kentucky

"Men are not to be judged by what they do not know, but by what they know and by the manner in which they know it."

Junior and Senior Years at Country Day School (Private School for Boys)
Vice President, Senior Class
Accompanist for all Country Day School Programs
Composer of School Song
Scouts - Senior Patrol
Editor, THE KENTUCKY COLONEL
Chorus
K.S.B. Band
Member of Choir, St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Member of Youth Commission of Diocese of Kentucky

Will enter college

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S E N I O R R E T R O S P E C T

If you were six years of age, and your doctor informed you that you could not attend a regular public school because of blindness, what would you do? Would you sit at home and neglect your education? Would you be assigned to a private tutor who would try to teach you the alphabet? If neither of these plans suited you, perhaps you would do as I did.

At the outset, enrolling into the Kentucky School for the Blind seemed to me an advantageous enterprise, but after being exposed to the new atmosphere, I changed my whole outlook. Doubt and uncertainty covered the picture, and numerous questions remained unanswered. What could one learn from this?

A hope soon came in the form of music. Studying music, singing in the school chorus, later singing in the choir at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, and attending various musical programs served as a worthwhile means for passing the time. Both music and scout work afforded me the opportunity to visit other schools and to exchange ideas with other students. The fog was lifting, and opportunities seemed to come whenever they were wanted.

These preparations served in correlating the requirements of the Day School which I attended on the cooperative school program with the ten years' work at K.S.B.

Now as I look back, I ask myself, "Would you live your school experiences over again if you had the opportunity?" Yes, for it is by hard work and intelligent guidance that we succeed.

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

FAREWELL TO THE SENIORS

Graduation is one of the most wonderful and exciting events in the life of any student. Yes, but there is always a note of sadness about it, too. After all, for twelve years you have had experiences which you will remember for years to come. Sure, there were times when the going seemed a little rough, but there were also times of unforgettable pleasure -- the time you made that A-plus on a term paper, the first wrestling match, the school play in which you had what seemed to you a most important role. Or perhaps you recall that simply terrible teacher you never could seem to tolerate! Yes, all these things and more must go through the mind of every graduate on that big night.

Alice Napier, Louise Burkhart, and Flonnie Howard will graduate this year with all the usual pomp and ceremony. They will say their goodbyes to K.S.B., if not to her fond memories, on the night of June 9th. They've worked and waited a long time for this, and they deserve all the honors we know will come to them. Although an important part of your life lies behind you, girls, a still bigger part stretches before you. We know you'll make the best of it.

We admit that girls are a little nicer and we might be a little more sorry to see them go, but we also have some mighty fine gentlemen and scholars who will be leaving us this year. We say so-long, not goodbye, to James Rader, Raymond Randles, David Murrell, and Raymond Seaver. James will have finished his twelve years here at K.S.B., while the other three chose to take their last two years in public schools. Raymond Randles and David attended J.M.Atherton High School for their junior and senior years, and Raymond Seaver finished at Country Day School. Fellows, even though we know you

wouldn't miss graduating for the world, we wonder if you won't miss K.S.B. now and then - -your old pals, the favorite girl friend, or maybe you'll even miss breaking a window. (Footballs do sometimes miss their mark!)

Yes, you are going to miss these things, but you're going to be missed even more. For each of you, may this be only the beginning of a successful future.

Tommy Frommel
11th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

As this issue of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL goes to press, the music department --particularly the chorus and the piano students --is getting ready for the annual recital to be given on May 30. In addition to various piano numbers, the chorus will sing six selections: "Night in June," a delightful pastoral song depicting a typical June evening; "Joy," a love lyric; "Last Night,"an interesting folk melody; "Skip to My Lou," a number which has become a tradition at K.S.B.; and two religious songs, "Lead Me, Lord" (S.S.Wesley), and "The Heavens Resound" (Beethoven).

The little band which Mr. Woodrow Bates organized this past January played the music for the Easter dance, held in the school auditorium on Wednesday evening, April 14.

On Thursday, May 6, we were entertained by Unit 193 of the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion. After their musical selections, the school chorus continued the program. This was followed by several piano selections played by Louis Knipp, a member of last year's graduating class. The president of the unit presented Louis with a check for $100.00 to help him in his musical studies.

Anyone entering the K.S.B. Auditorium on Wednesday, May 19, would have heard a delightful evening program of popular music. Mr. Bates invited a group of musicians to play for us, and judging by the cheers of the audience, the program was a great success.

In closing may we say that we appreciate the interest of the readers of this column. We hope that you will continue to read "The Music Box" next year when a new editor will do the honors.

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

C L U B S

PEP CLUB The Pep Club has ended another successful year by having a hay ride on Saturday evening, May 15. We left the school at seven o'clock and returned at eleven. After riding for several hours, singing and telling jokes, and having a lot of fun, we stopped at a roadside park for our wiener-roast. This gave us a good opportunity to s-t-r-e-t-c-h so that we could enjoy the last several hours of riding. To all of those who helped make this outing possible we express our sincere appreciation.

Donna Dyer
7th Grade

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TUNING CLUB The closing weeks of school have considerably accelerated the activities of this club. An interesting part of the work in our group has been the ear-training contests, for this "ear training" is of utmost value for the fine tuning of a piano. These contests were held four times between the first-year and the second-year members, and Gary Jones, a second year tuner, was the winner over all other contestants.

Mr. Elwood Short, a former K.S.B. student and a successful tuner, demonstrated to the club the best method to pack a tuning kit. By his system, all the tools necessary for tuning and repairing are easily carried and give the greatest efficiency.

On May 11 the tuning department held Open House for all the teachers and the students in the main building. Twelve boys demonstrated the various phases of tuning and repairing. Refreshments were served. This first attempt at such an Open House was enthusiastically received, and since everyone enjoyed it so much it will be an annual affair.

The Tuning Club had its last meeting of the year on May 4, and it proved to be one of the most successful meetings all year. At this time Tommy Frommel was elected president for '54-'55, and under his capable leadership we are quite certain that the club will have a full and happy year. Good luck!

James Rader
12th Grade

S P O R T S

After a successful wrestling season at K.S.B. we turned our attention to track. We scheduled only three meets this year, the first of which was the Midwestern Tournament at Jacksonville, Illinois, where we finished in fourth place. The next two are to be telegraphic affairs with the Florida and Overbrook Schools for the Blind. These will take place after this magazine has gone to press, so we will be unable to give the results. If some of you are wondering what a telegraphic meet is, this is how it is arranged: The athletes do not travel, but have the events of the meet in their own schools, sending the results by telegram to the other schools taking part in the competition.

In keeping with our policy of past issues, we shall name a few of the boys who are or soon will be standout members of the track team. Leading the list is Jimmy Hopkins. Jim was by far our best representative at Jacksonville, scoring all of the fourteen and one half points. He placed first in the 75-yard dash and the broad jump, and third in the 50-yard dash and 3-consecutive jumps. He missed the record for distance in the standing broad jump for the Midwestern Tournament by only a quarter of an inch. Jim is just in the eighth grade, so he has a bright future ahead of him in track. Three other boys who will soon be stand-outs on the team are Donald Bryan, Benny Gibson and George Weir. We have every reason to expect big things of them.

We should like to pay our track coach, Mr. Herman Davis, a compliment for the way he handled the boys, and we hope that he has an even bigger season next year.

James Harvey Robinson
8th Grade

V I S I T T O F O R T K N O X

Early on the morning of April 10th, thirty boys from our scout troop, accompanied by Mr. Richie and Mr. Howser headed for Fort Knox. Why? Troop 128 of Fort Knox was to meet us and go for a tour around the Fort. Since most of their boys were smaller, we probably gave them a rough time of it.

Our first visit was to the Gold Vault. We were able to get as far as the fence bordering the vault -- about fifty yards away. We learned that there were approximately fifteen billion dollars stored here. The two-story building of brick is very heavily guarded at all times.

From the Gold Vault we went to the Motor Pool to look around. Here we were allowed to ride a tank. We asked questions about sizes, shapes, motors, transmissions, guns, and gasoline. Then a few of us rode in a jeep where we fired the same questions.

Patton Museum was our next stop. Here we were allowed to run as we liked over the interesting collection of World War II equipment. After that we went for a short swim at the Field House, and then had an excellent lunch.

We should like to thank Captain Reedy, Troop 128, and all others who made this trip possible.

Larry Hutson

SCOUT JAMBOREE

On Friday, April 23, Mr. Richie, and five scouts went to the Tennessee School for the Blind for their annual Scout Jamboree. We arrived at five thirty in the afternoon, and after a hearty meal we went to their camping grounds. There we roasted hot-dogs, sang some of the old songs, and had a fine time around the campfire.

The next morning we toured their new school, which is a very beautiful place. Later we went for a long swim in their new swimming pool. In the afternoon we went to their lodge, about twenty miles from the school, where we spent the rest of the day and that night. At nine-thirty we gathered again around the campfire for more fun and refreshments. Our own Troop 10 quartette sang some songs, too. After that we were allowed to do anything we wanted to do. Some of us slept out by the fire, but it became very cold during the night.

Altogether we had a wonderful time. Thanks to the Tennessee School for inviting us, and to Mr. Langan and Mr. Richie for making this trip possible.

Joe Howerton
5th Grade

BROWNIE TALK

This spring we have gone on hikes outdoors, usually around the campus. When we found a flower or plant, we tried to guess the name of it. We picked some one day, pressed them in books, and then pasted them on paper to hang in our Brownie Room. We learned how to lay a trail, too. This was done with stones piled in different ways.

On April 14th Miss Pearson and Mrs. English registered us as a Brownie Troop, and that day will be our Brownie birthday.

We had a ceremony in the park when we got our Brownie pins. We call this ceremony an "Investiture." We went out to Seneca Park in the school bus. When we got our pins, we said our Brownie pledge and gave the Brownie salute. Then Mazie Sue Castle told us the Brownie story, and we sang the "Brownie Smile Song." Afterwards, we played games and had a good picnic supper, and everyone had a very good time.

Now we are waiting to get our Brownie Handbook that is being brailled for us. Soon we are going home, but we will try to be good Brownies there, too. We are thinking about next fall when we will get our uniforms. It is fun to be a Brownie.

Wanda Jean Coogle
Glenda Lee Glenn
4th Grade

EASTER DANCE

Our Easter Dance, sponsored by Miss Pearson, the girls' physical education and home economics teacher was given on April 14. As we entered the auditorium each person was handed a small paper rabbit and a piece of plain white paper, both of which had a number on them. These were used later in the evening for the distribution of prizes.

There were three intermissions. During these times Mr. Richie and the scouts performed, refreshments were served, and two girls entertained with tap dancing.

This was the first dance for which our own K.S.B. band has played, giving us a good selection of popular music all evening. Everyone appreciated the big improvement in the music, and we wish to thank Mr. Bates, their director, and all the boys who made it such an enjoyable evening.

We also wish to thank Miss Pearson and her assistants for planning such a well-organized dance.

Doris Page
9th Grade

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

The primary department has made much progress these past nine months. This great progress shown brightly around Easter time with the pretty baskets and cards the children made. Each youngster wove his own basket and made beautiful cards for parents, teachers, and housemothers. Some of the classes dyed their own eggs.

The primary grades have been illustrating their studies with beautifully colored pictures which have braille notes attached. In this way all the children know what the pictures are telling them. For instance, when they were studying about milk, the children hung pictures pertaining to this subject--everything from the cow in the pasture, at one end of the display, to milk on the table, at the other end. Carla Sue Dotson and Coleman Brown wrote the following story, telling what they did one day:

MAKING BUTTER

"One morning a young lady came to see us. She brough a play cow and a real churn. She told us all about milk and butter. The next day the primary children made butter and ate it on some good hot rolls. We drank the buttermilk."

One class read a story about a turtle. In order that every child could see a turtle and learn what it eats, they bought one. Now the turtle is a great friend of the primary classes.

George Stokes, who came to school just this year, has learned braille so well that he brought his KENTUCKY COLONEL to school one day and read an article to this class.

Alice Napier
12th Grade

P O E T ' S C O R N E R

GRADUATION

After I'm gone from this old place
  Where I have been so long,
No more I'll see a teacher's face,
  And hear the old "school song."

I'll miss the old routine of things,
  And all I used to do,
I'll miss the school bell when it rings,
  I'll miss the teachers, too.

I'll think of all the fun I've had
  With every single friend;
Some of it good and some of it bad--
  I've enjoyed it to the end.

I really hate to finish school
  Because I think it's great;
Although I've broken many a rule,
  I hate to graduate.

Louise Burkhart
12th Grade

TO A POET

Some people write very well,
But how they do it I can't tell;
When they write it comes to them,
But when I try thoughts just stay dim.

I study about it each night in bed,
But, when I start, I wish I were dead!
I study so hard I think I'm dying --
It comes to me I'm only trying.

When I finally go to sleep,
I plunge in just about that deep;
I write a poem 'bout a snake,
And with a jerk I'm wide awake.

This poem's coming to an end
Although the thoughts may be too thin!
The poem is complete by now;
Perhaps you can beat it --but how?

George Huddleston
11th Grade

DEAR JOHN, YOU'RE JUST TOO LATE

When I was a little boy and liked to play with toys,
I pushed my wagons 'cross the floor with such a terrible noise;
But now that I'm no longer young, those things I simply hate,
And everything I want to do, they say I'm just too late.

When I'm walking down the street, I wave my cap so high,
And whistle to all the pretty girls as they go strolling by;
And when I call them on the phone and ask them for a date,
The answer comes back clear and plain,"Dear John, you're just too late."

Now Marcia is the girl I want because I like her smile,
And I know another wants her and I'll miss her by a mile;
For every time I go to her and ask her if she'll wait,
I get the same reply again, "Dear John, you're just too late."

I guess I'll start my search anew for another pleasant girl,
Maybe one with hair cut short, or one with golden curls;
But I guess before I have a chance to step inside her gate,
I'll get the same reply again, "Dear John, you're just too late."

Flonnie Howard
12th Grade

CORRECTION OF AN ERROR

A common fallacy of average mind:
Society's a curse to one who's blind
Perhaps 'twas true before the present time,
Blind people sought a nickel or a dime
From one who chanced to pass along their way;
Poor beggar, you would sing your tuneful lay
To draw attention of Society,
To gain rewards from every passer-by.

Perhaps 'twas not your fault, O wretched tramp;
Society had given you a stamp
Whose mark you couldn't erase, how hard you tried;
Disgrace was all you got for all your pride.
But what was there to do? You had no chance,
No star of hope on which you could advance;
Dame Fortune frowned on you and hid her face;
For you in social life there was no place.

But what is this about the ancient times
When Homer charmed the world with mystic rhymes?
Or what is this about great Milton's thought --
A man of high ideals who wonders wrought?
These men had risen from their lowly place;
Their lives were neither sorrow nor disgrace.
Their greatness was simplicity, it seems --
By hard endeavor they achieved their dreams.

Discard the fallacy, O average mind --
Society's no curse to one who's blind.
The average person traveling day by day
Will find the blinded beggar gone away
To seek his fortune in more useful task,
For he has gained a useful post at last.

Raymond Seaver
12th Grade

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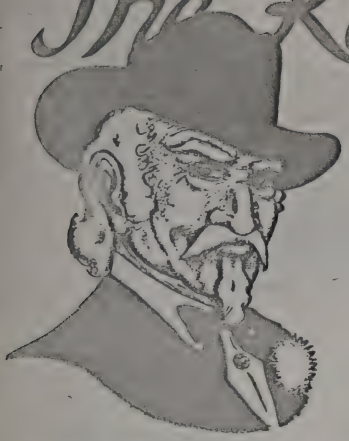

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Donald Franklin

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

The staff of the Kentucky School for the Blind has been greatly benefited by the addition of two new members. Our new primary teacher, Miss Carol Halliday, a graduate of the University of Louisville, will be a valuable asset to our school for she has had previous experience in dealing with young people. Before coming to our school she spent five years as counselor of the Girl Scout Organization. Some of Miss Halliday's hobbies are camping and hiking, and, like most other young ladies, she likes to cook. Her interest in the out-of-doors should appeal to the imaginations of her young pupils. We welcome you to our school, Miss Halliday.

The second addition to our staff is the Reverend Alfred Bhatt who is teaching sociology. Mr. Bhatt is a native of Bombay, India and is now attending the University of Louisville where he is majoring in sociology. He received two other degrees while attending Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky near Lexington. This is his third year in the United States, and he is quite impressed with the American way of life. He says, "The people are friendly, helpful and hospitable." Mr. Bhatt is married and has three children, and he is looking forward to his reunion with his family in June.

Thomas Frommel
12th Grade

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Our kindergarten has necessarily been divided into two sections. We have had to do this because most of the students are younger than usual. Mrs. English teaches one group, and Miss Halliday the other. To make room for this extra division, the fourth grade moved into the main building. At recess some of the older girls have been helping Miss Halliday with her children.

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MRS. ENGLISH'S KINDERGARTEN

Going to school for the first time and being a kindergartner is a very exciting time for us. We have made new friends, learned new things, have new toys to play with, songs to sing -- everything is new to us.

We have spent part of our time getting ready for Halloween. We pretended we were jack-o'-lanterns, and we even had our own dance. We rode on broomsticks when we were pretending to be witches.

We have a little house of our very own to keep house in. Mr. Scoggins and the big boys built it for us in their shop classes. We are painting it ourselves. It is a lot of fun.

The primary department had very special visitors on November 8. Two policemen from the Louisville Police Department, Sgt. Peake and Sgt. Swizer, came out to visit us. They showed us their uniforms, their badges, and even blew their traffic whistles. Then we all went outside to see their police car. As a very special favor, they turned on the siren so we could hear it, and we listened to the two-way radio in their car. We already knew what good friends our policemen are, but it's a lot of fun to have them visit us so we can meet them and talk with them.

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FIRST GRADE

Miss Lucy Thiemann, from the Dairy Council, showed two movies to the kindergarten, first and second grades. One film was about a mother cat and four kittens. The other was about circus animals. We all enjoyed these stories and hope Miss Thiemann will visit us again.

Bop-O, the clown, is a newcomer to the first grade. It is so much fun to knock him down, for he pops right back up. He is made of plastic and is inflated with air.

The first grade made false faces and costumes for Halloween. Instead of having an indoor party, they went on a "trick or treat" jaunt.

And speaking of parties, one of the nicest we have had was the supper at the home of Mrs. Traub's sister, Mrs. Harris. We especially enjoyed seeing the fish in the four large bowls, and the parakeet that "squealed" for us.

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HALLOWE'EN PROGRAM

On October 29 the Primary Department had a Hallowe'en program in Allan Cottage. Everyone first sang "October is a Gypsy Maid," and then the kindergarten children showed us how the "spooks" dance. Several poems that had been learned in class were recited; and Brucie, a little boy in the first grade, sang a solo. The third and fourth grades sang "See the Leaves Fall One by One." Mrs. Judd arranged the program, taught us all the songs, and even got some of the costumes for us. Some of the boys and girls made their own costumes. A few of our mothers came to see the program, and we also invited the teachers and pupils of the upper grades. We hope they all liked our program; we enjoyed giving it.

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SECOND GRADE PARTY

Halloween is over. The second grade had a nice party at the home of our teacher, Mrs. McDaniel. We left our school room wearing ugly faces and carrying noise-makers. At the party we played games, and were visited by a ghost. The ghost danced and told a funny story about ghost land. We learned later that Mrs. Meadors was the "Ghost." Mrs. Dotson gave us some pumpkin favors filled with candy, and also some metal frog noise-makers. Mrs. Meadors made popcorn for us. Records were played while we ate. It was a very nice party, and we thank our teacher for taking us to her home.

(Donna Rae Dyer, 8th grade, is the editor for Primary Department news, but Carla Sue Dotson, Mazie Castle, and others contributed for this issue.)

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SCOUT NEWS

Scout activities for this term are already in high gear. We have seven new boys in the troop, three of these being from Patton Cottage. Fred Rader rejoined us this year and Junior Kirkendall transferred from another troop.

We hope to have five boys gain the rank of first-class scout before Christmas. They are Johnny Ballard, Burton Boyer, Donald Bryan, Joe Howerton and Melvin Mattingly. Bobby Barnes, Charles McDowell and Elwood Miracle hope to earn merit badges.

We all had a good time at camp. Over thirty boys went to camp and that same number was sorry to leave. Everything worked out well — we had perfect weather, good food, and, best of all, plenty of blankets.

We have had only one set-back this year. Mr. Richie, our Scoutmaster, has been in the hospital with an infected leg, and he was forced to be away from school for quite some time. All of us sincerely hope he will be back soon.

Larry Hutson
8th Grade

SPORTS

This year at K.S.B. the sports scene underwent a minor change. This change was the return of the old rivalry between the students and the graduates who call themselves the Gray Beards. The game played recently between these teams lived up to the traditions of hard-fought innings and good sportsmanship. The final score was 8 to 7 in favor of the students, which proves that "old seniors never die." It appeared, however, that some K.S.B. fans came close to "giving up the ghost" when the Gray Beards took that 7 to 2 lead early in the game. The important thing, whether we win or lose, is that the rivalry has been renewed. We hope it continues.

The K.S.B. wrestling team, in preparation for the renewal of the annual mat wars, faces one of the toughest schedules of its career. Our coach, Mr. Bill English, has again outdone himself in getting the best opponents possible for the team. Our schedule includes such promising meets as the Quadrangular, which is to be held at K.S.B. on December 4. This match will throw together Arkansas, an old rival of ours, West Virginia, our neighboring state, Michigan, who has yet to meet its first blind school wrestling team, and the K.S.B. We hope and believe that this match will surpass all other events of its kind which have been held here.

For the first time in years the team will be able to fill all eleven of the weights. This valuable asset to the team's bid for victory is a point which our coach has stressed most enthusiastically. He is counting especially on the heavier weights, and from all that we have been able to observe we believe that they will come through magnificently. To quote Coach English, "I believe that this year's group of boys looks more like a wrestling team than any group I have seen here at K.S.B."

The complete schedule of meets is as follows:

November 20	- Richmond, Indiana High School.	.Richmond
December 2	- Bloomington, Indiana University High	.7 p.m., Home
December 4	- Arkansas School for the Blind Michigan School for the Blind West Virginia School for the Blind	. . .2 - 7 p.m., Home
December 9	- Bloomington, Indiana J.V.	.Bloomington
December 11	- Missouri School for the Blind Kansas School for the Blind	. . . . St. Louis, Missouri
January 8	- Indiana School for the Blind.	Indianapolis
January 15	- Missouri School for the Blind	2 p.m., Home
January 18	- Indianapolis, Indiana, Manual	Indianapolis
January 22	- Evansville, Indiana, Mater Dei.	2 p.m., Home
January 25	- Bloomington, Indiana, University High	Bloomington
January 29	- Tennessee School for the Blind Arkansas School for the Blind	. . . .Donelson, Tennessee
February 2	- New Castle, Indiana, High.	.New Castle
February 5	- Indiana School for the Blind	2 p.m. Home
February 14-15	-Mid-Western Tournament.	Vinton, Iowa
February 26	- Ohio School for the Blind	.2 p.m. Home
March 4-5	- Eastern Tournament.	.Overlea, Maryland

All home meets will be held at the Kentucky School for the Blind.

James H. Robinson
9th Grade

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HUNTOON HOUSE COMMITTEE

Again this year the residents of Huntoon House elected five boys to serve on their House Committee. They are Charles McDowell, Larry Hutson, Gordon Pierce, Fred Rader, and Donnie Brown.

This committee was organized to help us to make our cottage a better place in which to live. The boys meet once a month to discuss the problems of Huntoon House and to try to solve them, but actually the only things they can do about the complaints is to take them to Mr. Langan or to Mr. Howser for consideration.

The first duty of the committeemen was to talk with Mr. Langan about the installation of a pay telephone in a convenient location so that the boys and girls may be able to use it. He said he would look into the matter to see if the phone could pay for itself.

During the year the committee hopes to serve everyone living in Huntoon House, and so improve relationships that we shall have the best building on the campus.

Donnie Brown
10th Grade

PEP CLUB

Again this year K.S.B. has organized a Pep Club which is designed to give a bit of inspiration to all of the athletes. In the opinion of all these boys and the coaches, it has accomplished its purpose thus far.

We started out by electing new officers for the coming year. Martin Sutton was elected President; Robert Page, Vice President; and Doris Page, Treasurer. We feel that we have chosen some very competent officers.

Our club also has six cheer leaders: Larry Hutson, B. T. Kimbrough, June Coyle, Doris Page, Patty Wheeler and Nellie Willard.

With most of the student body as members, we Pep Club-ers are prepared to cheer on our boys, win or lose.

Bobby Barnes
9th Grade

VISITORS

FROM THE ORIENT

Recently, our school has had the pleasure of having two visitors from Japan, Miss Sadako Imamura and her brother, Mr. Yoshihiko Imamura. They are from Yokohama, a city of about 2,000,000 people, where their father is the director of the Yokohama Christian School for the Blind.

Miss Imamura has been in the United States about six years, having spent two years in California, two years in Tennessee, and two years teaching at Perkins Institution in Boston. She has a Masters Degree in Education from Harvard.

Mr. Imamura has been in America just since September. He, too, is a teacher.

They came to Louisville to observe the work at the American Printing House for the Blind, and to visit classes at our school, for when they return to Japan, they will both teach in the School for the Blind in Yokohama.

Doris Page
10th Grade

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CONFERENCE FOR MAKING TESTS

A little over a month ago K.S.B. was host to an interesting group of visitors. Their purpose in coming here was to learn of an adequate and basic test for the blind.

Mr. Samuel C. Ashcroft, Research Director of the American Printing House for the Blind, was in charge of the program. He is a pioneer in this field, for he has always been interested in finding other ways in which to record answers except by means of the braille slate. Dr. Samuel P. Hayes of Perkins, and Miss Geraldine Scholl of the Michigan School for the Blind, were the consultants.

Eleven states were represented in this conference, which lasted from Wednesday to Saturday. On Friday the visitors surprised all the students by testing everyone from the second to the tenth grades. In this way the members applied the theories and methods discussed in the conference, and since our school acted as host, we students were glad to be the "guinea pigs." We really enjoyed having these visitors, and wouldn't object at all to taking more tests.

B. T. Kimbrough
7th Grade

UNITED NATIONS SENDS KOREAN

Another recent visitor was the Reverend Mr. Tuk Heung Lee, the Principal of the Korea National Institute for the Blind and Deaf in Seoul, and the Director of the Korea Christian Lighthouse. Mr. Lee holds a degree in theology from the Kobe Central Theological Seminary in Japan, and was appointed pastor of Sung-tung Church in Seoul in 1940.

Mr. Lee is in our country on a field trip to observe facilities for the blind, visiting schools, adjustment and rehabilitation centers and various other agencies, workshops and farms, and, by no means least, the American Printing House for the Blind. He has traveled extensively on this mission, and when he returns to Korea, he will work with a rehabilitation team that will be sent from our country to assist in the development of the program for the blind in his home land.

Here on a United Nations Fellowship, Mr. Lee is enjoying his stay in America. We hope he will have many happy memories of this visit and that he can return at some other time.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 10. . . .Staff Meetings
13. . . .Children Return to School
14. . . .Classes Begin

October 7-9. . . .AAIB Regional Testing Conference - Kentucky School
22. . . .End of First Marking Period
23-24. . . .Overnight Scout Hike - Covered Bridge
20. . . .Halloween Party

November 20. . . .Wrestling Meet - Richmond High - Richmond, Indiana
20. . . .Thanksgiving Party
24-28. . . .Thanksgiving Recess

December 1-2. . . .Joint Uniform Braille Committee - Kentucky School
2. . . .Wrestling Meet - University High (Bloomington, Indiana) - Kentucky School - 7 p.m.
3. . . .End of Second Marking Period
4. . . .Wrestling Meet - Michigan, Arkansas, West Virginia- Kentucky School - 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.
9. . . .Wrestling Meet - Bloomington J.V. - Bloomington, Indiana
11. . . .Wrestling Meet - Kansas, Missouri, Kentucky -St.Louis, Missouri
12. . . .Christmas Party
14. . . .Christmas Cantata - 8 p.m.
15. . . .Christmas Party - Primary Grades
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January 2. . . .Christmas Vacation

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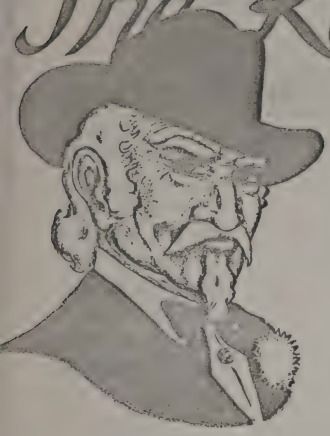

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Burt Boyer	Gordon Pierce	Burt Boyer
Gordon Pierce	Mason Edwards	Nellie Willard
Doris Page	Tommy Frommel	Donna Rae Dyer
Tommy Frommel	Martin Sutton	Gordon Pierce
Robert Page	Evelyn Willard	Mason Edwards
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Evelyn Willard		Tommy Frommel
		Robert Page
		Martin Sutton

FIVE UNFORGETTABLE DAYS

Being the runners-up in the E.A.A.B. in 1954, we naturally looked forward to this year when we would try to improve our standing; so, from the very beginning of our wrestling season, anxious eyes were turned toward Baltimore. When news reached us that we were going to make the trip by train, and that as a bonus we would get in quite a lot of sight seeing in Washington, we were overwhelmed with joy.

On Thursday afternoon, March 3, we left K.S.B. with a rousing send-off. The trip by C. & O. coach, which most people would judge uneventful, was a real thrill for one or two of the boys for this was the first time they had been on a train. After arriving in Washington, and some of us taking time to eat breakfast at the Union Station (the other boys were on a diet!), we headed toward the Capitol and the Senate Building.

In spite of having an appointment to meet Senator Barkley, we were due for a disappointment -- a very important conference prevented his meeting us. Mr. Barkley has since written us quite a complimentary letter, and we were indeed flattered by this, but somehow that does not take the place of talking to him personally. In the Office Building of the House of Representatives we were more fortunate, for here we chatted with Representative Robsion. He was talking to a group of students from one of the Washington schools, but he received us cordially by shaking hands with each of us and asking us individually where we lived in Kentucky. At his invitation to join the other group of students, we heard a little about "Functions of Government" but, Because of train time, we were unable to remain until the close of the lecture.

Walking to the Union Station, we looked wide-eyed at the different designs and arrangements of the Government buildings, for in this section of the District of Columbia the buildings are of older architecture.

A forty-minute train ride brought us into Baltimore where we were met by friends of Mr. Langan. The three cars soon made the short trip to Overlea, a suburb of Baltimore, where the School for the Blind is located. Mr. Langan had been Principal at this school before coming to Kentucky, and most of our group of boys had visited here in past years, so we felt quite at home from the moment we entered the building and met some of the friends we made during other meets.

Wrestling, our primary purpose of the long trip, started that Friday night, continuing on Saturday afternoon and evening. K.S.B. team was fortunate in coming out on top with a 17 point margin over Ohio, the second place team. Following the finals, all wrestlers assembled in the Union Building where awards were made and refreshments served. How proud we were of the beautiful trophy presented to us! It was the biggest event of our young lives, and we could not have been blamed for being unusually happy. Why, even on the train coming back to Louisville, the porter was as happy as we to have that gold trophy in his coach! By this time he felt as though we "belonged" to him, for he was one of the crew who had taken us to Washington.

Our sight-seeing tour of Washington, taken by cab, was highlighted by visits to the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, Arlington Cemetery, Lee's Mansion, and the Smithsonian Institute. True enough, it was impossible to see everything of interest in this last place, so we were content with one hour's "examination" of the first airplanes, automobiles and locomotives; in seeing stamp collections; in comparing Mexican and American farming equipment; and in noting the progress made in the tire industry.

Perhaps our activities had been so strenuous over this exciting week-end we all "let down" after boarding the Louisville-bound train at 5:30 that Sunday evening. At any rate, we were more calm than at any time since leaving our own campus. But did that calm continue after the train pulled into the station in Louisville? No, no, NO!!! There, to meet us with all the fanfare extended to royalty, were faculty and student body, the band from the Colored Department, a photographer, and two motorcycle policemen. And it was these men from the motorcycle squad who escorted the long procession, through heavy traffic and red lights, all the way to our campus. Important? - We never felt better in all our lives!

But this was not the end. Mr. Langan was so pleased with us, with his school, and with everything in general he put the "crowning touch" on the occasion by declaring a holiday for the remainder of the day.

Can you guess how the boys on the squad spent most of the afternoon? Of course, you know! Even after eating all the good meals served us; in spite of the new experience of having a big steak dinner in the diner on the train, most of us were still hungry after months of dieting during the wrestling season. Yes the afternoon was spent in satisfying our appetites. Wouldn't you have done the same?

The Captain and all the members of the team are indeed grateful to Mr. Langan, to Mr. English, and to all others who contributed to the success of this grand trip and to the glory it brought to our school.

Robert Page
12th Grade

NEWS BRIEFS

Mrs. Judd, one of our music teachers, was sick and out of school for quite a while just before Christmas, but she has recovered and we are glad to have her back again.

We suffered a great loss in our cooking department when Mrs. Green, who had been cooking in Patten Cottage, passed away on Christmas Eve. We were deeply moved at her death and will miss her very much.

Mr. English, the coach of our wrestling team, was called by the Draft Board in December to take his examination. We thought Uncle Sam had caught him at last, but because of a back injury he was rejected. We are glad to have him stay with us since it would not be the same without him.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Pearl Cochran's mother. Seemingly, she had been in good health, and her death was quite a shock. Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Cochran.

Mrs. Traub, our first grade teacher, was away for about a month on a leave of absence. During this time Mrs. Howser took her place, and Miss Lydia Scoggan, one of our beloved former teachers, substituted for Mrs. Howser's classes. We are glad to know that Mrs. Traub's health has improved as a result of her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes are the proud new owners of a house in the southwestern section of the city, and in the near future they will no longer be resident teachers. They hope to move into their new home about April 1. We shall miss seeing them on the campus after school hours.

Miss Halliday, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. McDaniels and Mr. English were also on the sick list this past month. Many students also missed classes for a few days because of illness. Faithful Mrs. Judd substituted in all these grades -- until she, too, again became ill. With spring "just around the corner" we hope everyone will remain in perfect health.

On February 6 Mr. Howser, in the absence of Mr. Langan who was out of town at the time, made his first appearance on TV. The occasion meant a great deal to our school -- the acceptance of $15,000.00, part of the fund contributed to the WHAS Crusade for Children program. This program was given in November, and several of our students had taken part in it. The donation will make possible an addition to Allan Cottage, the new unit to be used for kindergarten classes.

Dennie Brown
10th Grade

A LETTER

(FROM A 1954 GRADUATE)

Kenyon College
Gambier, Ohio
February 16, 1955

Dear Readers:

To me, college is a wonderful, new experience in which the student not only enjoys himself at parties, dances, and other recreational activities, but he also finds a certain kind of fun in his studies and in the relations with his professors. Both this semester and last, I have been taking English, political science, advanced French, medieval and modern European history, and physics. Each of these courses is a three hour course -- that is, each class meets three times a week. For the most part, the work is interesting but quite a bit more difficult than I had expected when I first entered Kenyon's doors.

Besides my regular class work I have found time for singing in the choir at the college chapel, singing in the men's chorus called the Kenyon Singers, and, quite soon, I hope to be an announcer on radio station WKCO which is student-owned and operated.

Those of you who are interested in sports will be glad to know that Kenyon has a very good swimming team and a good basketball team. In addition to these sports, soccer, tennis, golf, badminton, football, and lacross keep the students occupied with athletic entertainment. About four-fifths of the five hundred students participate in athletics. Those who cannot go out for varsity sports can participate in intra-mural competition. Incidentally, Lewis Hall has the champion football team in the intramural league, and the basketball team is holding its own. No mentioning of sports would be complete without saying something about wrestling, a team does exist, and the wrestlers watch their weights just as the wrestlers at K.S.B. do. We have one blind wrestler, Bob Stuart, who is an A student. He spends a great deal of his time in swimming because, as he told me the other day, "it's a great muscle-builder, and it is also a good aid to breath control." He hopes to graduate next year, and everyone hopes he will graduate with honors.

Two weeks ago, as some of you know already, I visited the Kentucky School for the Blind. During that time, I was fortunate to be present at part of the wrestling match with the Indiana School for the Blind. I have thought of the many happy years at K.S.B. and of many of the amusing things which happened when I was there. The background which I received from Miss Scoggan's English course, together with other knowledge which I acquired from all the teachers, has been invaluable to me in college. Sometimes I wish I could go through K.S.B. again so I could re-live those happy days.

To any of you who are planning to attend college, either next year or in years to come, I can only tell you that it is an experience well worth the effort. Of course, the going is not always easy, but it is the little hardships that make us appreciate our joys.

With best wishes to the teachers who spend countless hours teaching classes and grading papers, and with sympathy to all the students who spend countless hours worrying about what the teachers will ask on the exams, I am

Cordially yours,

Raymond H. Seaver

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

If you had been in Allen Cottage a few weeks ago and had smelled bread baking and then had followed your nose you would have discovered that the bakers were kindergartners. We mixed the dough, kneaded it, and waited for it to raise twice. The best part of all was the last when we ate the rolls we made; and they were so good!

Besides our baking we have been doing other new things. For example, we made a supermarket which even has a real grocer's cart for carrying the groceries to the playhouse. We take turns buying and selling.

There are many new pieces of kitchen and dining room furniture in our playhouse. They were given to us by Mrs. Neil Curlee and a group of her friends, and Mr. Curlee even made the stove. Besides the stove, we also have a cabinet, an iron and ironing board, curtains and dishes.

Valentine's Day was a special day. We all went to Barbie Heun's house for our party. We ate lunch there and helped bake and eat molasses cookies.

Mrs. English's Kindergarten

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Our Kindergarten now has a new member. We are all very happy to have him. His name is Hank Schulte, and he likes to do the kinds of things we like to do.

There have been some happy times while playing in the snow. We slid on the ice and rode on a sled. Another time we looked at icicles and made snowballs.

We especially enjoy music during every school day. We sing with Mrs. Judd; we have been learning folk dances; and we like to play the instruments of our rhythm band. Records from our public library are fun to listen to. We have two pianos --- one kindergarten size and one adult size.

Our winter days have been good. Now we are looking for spring. The bird songs we sometimes hear when we walk help us know that spring days are coming.

Miss Halliday's Kindergarten

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We had a surprise when our teacher brought us a bowl of gold fish. It is going to be fun giving them fresh water and food every day. We have named them Goldie and Chigger.

Jerry Hauck's mother baked cup cakes for our Valentine Party. She brought candy hearts, too. We played games, and every boy and girl got a prize. Our party caps and favors were pretty.

A new boy came on Washington's birthday, but his name is not George. It is John.

Every child has been writing on a braille writer, but last week we had a real thrill. We started writing on a slate.

The First Grade

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February 4th was my birthday. Some ladies came to see me and brought a birthday cake with candles on it. The cake had my name on it, too. The ladies are good friends of one of my classmates, Linda Jean Meadors. I am so happy with the pretty doll I got. I also received some pretty clothes from these nice people.

Lizzie Deaton
Second Grade

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The fourth grade has been studying about different countries all over the world. When we were ready to study India, we asked Mr. Bhatt to talk to our class because he lives in India.

Mr. Bhatt said that India is 13,000 miles away and to get there you would have two oceans to cross. It would take twenty-eight days to get to India on a boat and four days in an airplane. Mr. Bhatt lives in Bombay, a very old and famous city. He said that India is a great country.

Mr. Bhatt sang a couple of songs in his native tongue. Did you know that the people of India speak twenty-two different languages?

We learned many interesting things about this country, and we certainly enjoyed having Mr. Bhatt come to our classroom.

Tommy Lee Rothrock
4th Grade

The fourth grade has a citizenship committee of three members. This committee is responsible for everything in the classroom and on the playground. For instance, one member of our class had an accident— a window was broken. It was decided by the committee that Mr. Langan should be told first.

The members are Linda Lou Crase, David Caudill and Tommy Rothrock.

VISIT TO THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Our economics class, accompanied by Miss Wash, Miss Parker and Mr. Howser, had a very interesting tour through The First National Bank.

On the first floor we saw tellers' windows and a few other offices, but the first stop was at the vault, which had a door that weighed twenty-seven tons. Except for the accounting machines, which will be mentioned later, this door interested me most of all. It had three clocks which were set to open and close the door at a given time, also needles, scales, and buttons all over it.

Next, we visited the storage room and saw numerous bags of coin money. Some of us were allowed to hold $500.00 worth of dimes at one time. Another item was the money-packaging machines. A large amount of a certain kind of coin would be put in a container on top of the machine, then pulled down on a revolving disk. Centrifugal force would cause the coins to go out through a slot on the side and fall into a package. There was a scale which kept account of the amount that was packaged each day, thus making the job easier for the person operating the machine.

We were then taken to the Board of Directors Room, which made us all feel important. If the table had not been rounded just on the ends, I would have felt like one of King Arthur's knights! Mr. Ewing, our guide, told us a lot about the bank and how it was run, most of which was exactly what we had studied in our textbook. The First National Bank, the oldest in the South, was established in 1863. It is in the eighth district and is now a member of the Federal Reserve System. It has one president, thirteen vice-presidents, and two internal auditors who make an inspection of the bank twice a year. It also has nine branch managers who make notes, customer calls, and non-customer calls. This is to keep

the customers informed on how the bank conducts its business, and to obtain the non-customers' accounts. The bank is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

On the second floor, we were told, is the Trust Bank. This is an agency which has administrators to keep account of mortgages, wills, and other trusts. The agency also takes care of one's finances if he so desires, relieving the customer of financial worries.

The Mortgage Loan Department makes loans on real estate. The Loan Department makes loans on cars and home appliances, and in return it receives monthly interest on these loans.

We then went to the Transit and Bookkeeping Department. Most of the accounting machines were on the same scale as an adding machine. On some machine keys were the names of cities, names of banks, and numbers. Thus the accountant could keep a record of a person's checks, to which bank he belonged, in which city, and the amount. One of the safeguards for checks was the microfilming machine. This takes pictures of the original check, so if it were lost it could be reproduced.

A joke says that you cannot work at a bank and take samples home, but we visited a bank and did it quite legitimately. On our way out we were presented with a wallet which contained a nice shiny coin.

Our visit was enjoyable and instructive. We sincerely thank Mr. Ewing and all the employees who took time to talk to us about their work.

Doris Page
10th Grade

SCOUTS

Since the last issue of THE KENTUCKY COLONEL, K.S.B. Scout Troop 10 has been quite busy. As usual, we will have several boys who will make advancements in one way or another. We hope to have three new scouts, three new first-class scouts, and approximately ten boys who will receive merit badges.

This year, as in every year in the past, Troop 10 celebrated National Boy Scout Anniversary Week. Activities were planned for every day in the week, but the main one took place on Friday morning, February 11, when the Drum and Bugle Corps, whose members are all scouts, played several selections during the chapel program. Mr. S. J. Richie, scoutmaster, gave a short talk on scouting.

The annual Boy Scout Fair will be held in Louisville on April 15-16, and we are looking forward to taking part in its many activities. Some weeks ago one of our first-class scouts, Robert Page, a senior, along with

scouts from other troops of the city, was invited to visit a few of the more important civic clubs to arouse interest in obtaining funds for this fair. This annual festival, formerly known as the Scout Walli-Ga-Zu, affords opportunity for all the troops to display the various activities in which scouts participate. K.S.B. Troop will demonstrate in the field of physical education, specifically wrestling and track events. Tickets for the fair are on sale and can be obtained from any scout.

So far we haven't received any news of a Scout Jamboree for this spring, but we are still hopeful. However, if we do not have such a gathering with other troops, we shall look forward to an enjoyable week-end at camp.

Tommy Frommel
12th Grade

S P O R T S

We had just about put this column to bed --with but a little space in which we had planned to say something about the "good performance"or the competitive spirit" of our wrestling team in the E.A.A.B. Tournament -- when our grappling Colonels blew the story and all of us sky-high by picking up the marbles at Baltimore.

This is the first major tournament victory for K.S.B. matmen, and a real milestone in our history of sporting. But the wrestlers seemed almost as pleased with their welcome home, replete with a band and a police escort from the railroad station, as they were with the victory itself.

Seven of our nine-man tournament squad got to the semi-finals, and the final tally showed three in first place, three in second place, with the other semi-finalist coming in third.

"It was the greatest team effort of their career," said Coach English. And the record backs him all the way.

The season as a whole was one of the best we have had. With a record of six and six against first-rate competition in dual meets and an excellent showing in three minor tournaments, we are certainly proud of our hard-working squad.

This year we lose three major lettermen --George Huddleston, Tommy Frommel and Robert Page.

"Legs" Huddleston's many years of valuable experience will be sorely missed next year, and his replacement will not be easy to find.

Tommy, a spirited leader and a hard-working team man, will be a real loss to our matsters.

The sportsmanship and athletic prowess of Robert Page are certain to become almost legend.

We cannot but reflect, however, that we are losing more than wrestlers this June. K.S.B. is also losing three of its finest citizens.

Season Records -- Individual -- Varsity Bouts

Name	Won	Lost	Tied
Charles Allen	1	0	
Johnny Ballard	16	7	
Burt Boyer	20	1	
Donnie Brown	8	14	
Donald Bryan	2	3	
Tommy Frommel	8	9	1
Mason Edwards	1	1	
Earl Hall	0	0	
Mason Hall	16	5	
Jimmy Hopkins	16	4	
Hiram Hoskins	0	2	
Joe Howerton	0	0	
George Huddleston	1	2	
B. T. Kimbrough	0	0	
Melvin Mattingly	4	14	
Charles McDowell	1	5	
Elwood Miracle	2	6	
Robert Page	21	1	
Fred Rader	0	12	
George Weir	7	13	
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Major Letter Winners

Johnny Ballard
Mason Hall
Burt Boyer
Elwood Miracle
Robert Page
Jimmy Hopkins
Tommy Frommel
George Weir
Melvin Mattingly
George Huddleston
Donnie Brown

Minor Letter Winners

Donnie Bryan
Mason Edwards
Charles Allen
Fred Rader
Charles McDowell

Junior Varsity Letter Winners

Earl Hall
Joe Howerton
Hiram Hoskins

Manager's Letter: Gordon Pierce

Most Valuable Wrestler: Robert Page

Most Improved Wrestler: Melvin Mattingly, George Weir (Tied)

Season Record

We		They
34	Richmond, Indiana	10
21	Bloomington, Ind. University	27
26	Bloomington, Ind. Reserves	21
38	Indiana School for the Blind	11
10	Missouri School for the Blind	20
21	Indianapolis, Ind. Manual	33
22	Evansville, Ind. Mater Dei	18
14	Bloomington, Ind. University	34
20	New Castle, Ind.	30
36	Indiana School for the Blind	11
8	Niles Twp. Illinois	26
26	Ohio School for the Blind	15

Arkansas 58 - Kentucky 50 - West Virginia 49 - Michigan 37

Kentucky 53 - Kansas 46 - Missouri 45

Arkansas 45 - Kentucky 44 - Tennessee 22

4th Place in the Mid-western Tournament (MASB)

1st Place in the Eastern Tournament (EAAB)

James H. Robinson
9th Grade

SEWING DEPARTMENT

At the beginning of the year all of the sewing classes made samplers. This included all the different kinds of stitches --hemming, basting (large and small), running (called the gathering stitch), whipping, and the back stitch. This was a course in plain sewing.

Spool knitting, the simplest form of knitting, was the next thing we learned. It is done by using a spool and nails, and knitting in front of and behind the nails.

We are making purses out of Mitchell shoelaces. By using a piece of cardboard 8 x 5½ inches in size, you weave over and under with a needle just like potholders are woven. After taking the work off the board, the purses are turned inside out, and linings with zipper openings are sewed in.

Some of the girls have cut old hose to stuff the monkeys we made. We also made pompoms for them to decorate their "wrists" and "ankles."

We all like and enjoy our work very much.

Udell Useen and Donna Dyer
8th Grade

PITCHES FROM THE TUNING CLUB

Since this column did not appear in the last issue, there is a good deal of catching up to do this time.

At our first meeting Tommy Frommel was elected President, and Mr. Richie consented to serve as our secretary. It was also decided that we would have Open House again this year, as we did last year. However, there will be two separate sessions this spring --one in March for the primary grades, and the classes in the main building will be invited sometime in April.

The club now has about thirty members, including The Wrecking Crew which consists of nine boys who have been very helpful in muscling pianos here and there around the campus.

The tuners seem to have taken more of an interest in reading recently. We have been given regular assignments in the club magazine, The Piano Technician of Illinois, and Mr. Richie reports that the classes have benefited considerably from these assignments.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 10 at 6:30 P.M., and the men of the Alumni Chorus are cordially invited to meet with us.

Jimmie Sydnor
7th Grade

RUMOR NO MORE

Mr. Langan, our Superintendent and the Paul Bunyan of these parts, announced recently that, come spring, our campus will be sprouting a long-sought gymnasium, to be located directly behind the building formerly occupied by the Industrial Arts Department, but currently serving as the cramped quarters of our wrestling squad.

We shall save the details for a later issue, when we shall give you a more complete report on equipment, and so on; but if you have been suffering annually from gymnasium rumoritis, you may now relax. The contract has been let. The Lord willing, and the creeks don't rise too high from the rains that have been drenching us for weeks, construction will be getting under way shortly.

Plans are also under way for an addition to Allan Cottage, which will house the primary department; although, at this writing, details are not available.

Fred "Butch" Rader (and staff)
8th Grade

SQUARE DANCING

During the last few weeks we here at K.S.B. have taken quite an interest in square dancing. We had our first dance on Friday, February 11.

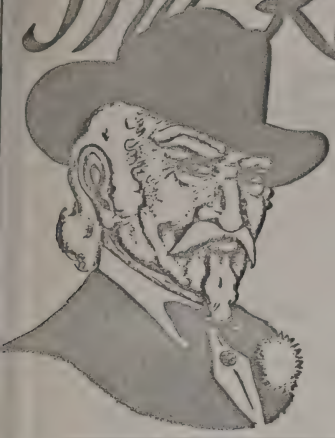
Mr. Davis, who has been taking square dancing at the University of Louisville, pioneered in the idea; and since he was on the program committee it was not hard for him to arrange the dance. He has been teaching a few steps to his gym class, and he says he is pleased with the progress of the participants.

By popular vote we decided to elect a king and queen for the dance. The winners were Mason Hall and Nellie Willard. Mason is one of our best wrestlers, and Nellie one of the most enthusiastic cheer leaders.

We have finally found the answer to square dancing's big success here—you don't have to put on your Sunday go-to-meeting clothes and shine your shoes when you go to a square dance! If you do—well, try it some time and find out.

B. T. Kimbrough
7th Grade

The Kentucky Colonel



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GRADUATES

THOMAS E. FROMMEL — Hopkinsville, Kentucky

"A finished gentleman from top to toe." (Byron)

President, Tuning Club
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Wrestling Squad, Captain of Various Meets
Scouts, Senior Patrol Leader
Switchboard, Student Operator
Member of (Chorus
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(Pep Club

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GEORGE HUDDLESTON — St. Charles, Kentucky

"The soldier who executes his captain's commands is no less valuable than the captain who gives the order." (Cervantes)

Scouts, Senior Patrol Leader
Member of:
Tuning Club
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ROBERT L. PAGE — Frankfort, Kentucky

"He was a gentleman on whom I built
An absolute trust." (Shakespeare)

Vice President, Pep Club
Wrestling Squad, Captain of the Year
Scouts, Senior Patrol Leader
Wrecking Crew, Captain
Switchboard, Student Operator
Member of (Chorus
(Lettermen's Club

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MARTIN SUTTON Straight Creek, Kentucky

"Hunting he loved, but love he laughed to scorn."
(Shakespeare)

President, Pep Club
Scouts, Senior Patrol Leader
Member of (Chorus
(Wrecking Crew

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EVELYN WILLARD Frankfort, Kentucky

"God's rarest blessing is, after all, a good woman,"
(Geo. Meredith)

Switchboard, Student Operator
Member of Pep Club
Study Hall Assistant for Primary Grades

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F A R E W E L L T O T H E S E N I O R S

As in years gone by, the old familiar Pomp and Circumstance will ring forth, while the class of '55 marches triumphantly, but a little sadly, down the aisle.

During one ceremony a speaker said that commencement meant "beginning." Yes, it will soon be commencement time, a time of realization that you have reached a very important milestone, and are now prepared to commence your real life. You will face many occasions when you find that you have to make the decision, as does every graduate.

High tribute goes to Evelyn Willard, who had to go to the hospital and wasn't able to finish this semester at K.S.B. However, she has kept up with her school work, and will receive a diploma. Evelyn, we wish you the very best, now and for your future.

We shall also be offering congratulations to Tommy Frommel, George Huddleston, Robert Page, and Martin Sutton. We sure will miss you, boys, and hope you might miss us and dear old K.S.B. a little.

We wish you all well as you leave us to embark on your separate careers and futures. We should like to hear from you and to learn how you are making out with this complicated thing called "life."

The whole world lies before you with all its problems, as well as with its golden opportunities. Each will help you achieve many more milestones later on. May God bless you and bestow His bountiful blessings upon you. From now on it's up to YOU --make the most of it.

Doris Page
10th Grade

E D I T O R I A L S

THE NECESSITY OF STUDENT CO-OPERATION

Often, in having our faults pointed out to us, we hear over and over again that nowhere else are things so bad. I know that all of us have faults, and that in my experience with parties in school and also in various other organizations we run across the same difficulties and that the same poor attendance prevails when something doesn't please everyone. Not all of us like the same things; but when we can't allow curselves enough slack to do a little something that is off-base in our own thinking to help others, then we are wrong.

Anything we get that is good out of life we received because we made a few sacrifices somewhere along the line.. For example: The young lady who is slightly overweight and who is interested in her appearance will sacrifice her ice cream or her favorite piece of pie in order to control her calories, which will, in turn, benefit her and her appearance. I don't think we can limit the "girlish figure" entirely to girls, as I have seen some young boys at the same trick. We also find that the students in school who have the best grades are the ones who are willing to give up an extra five minutes of their play time to go over their next day's assignment again. The track team, which is training at its hardest, is making sacrifices every day for the annual Western tournament.

Since Mr. Langan has been superintendent, our school has made much progress in social life. This is to be commended, but our big problem now is to have a staunch backing from the student body as a whole. This need was sorely felt recently when our Pep Club sponsored a party in which some of us were a little negligent in our support. We cannot hope to have any success unless we work as a group and not against each other.

The other day a group of us were discussing "citizenship," and we found while trying to give the definition that it was one of the hardest words to define. I cannot hope to give the full definition; but if we could live up to a small part of it, it would greatly improve our school and ourselves as individuals. Good citizenship implies co-operation in anything that is beneficial to the good of the school and society. It teaches us tolerance; and if we can't tolerate something, then try to change it. Another stab at defining good citizenship could be obedience to, and respect for good, and learning how to evaluate it accordingly.

Our whole school program is to be commended; and with the help of a co-operative student body, we can easily reach our highest peak in the next few years.

Robert Page
12th Grade

What ails the American people of today? Some seem to think it is a question of considerable weight. They believe the load should literally be lifted, no matter where it may be at present. With this idea in mind, they have set out on a campaign of weight-wrangling such as the public has never seen before. What is more, this blitz of the belt-line shows no sign of waning strength.

This is no light matter of which I speak, for within the last two years this drainage and dehydration fad has made incredible progress. For every overweight person there is a special remedy for reducing. Although losing weight can sometimes be beneficial, this mad rush for removing the excess has been detrimental to the health and well-being of the people. Doctors, who first recommended reducing, have cautioned against the use of many popular pills and drugs for this purpose. Some methods have been exposed as harmful, and others were found to be frauds.

Therefore, the next time you listen to your local lard-lifter on the radio get a doctor's opinion before taking drastic steps to pare off a few pounds. If he feels that a little trimming down of the torso is necessary, he will bravely stand with you in the "battle of the bulge."

James Harvey Robinson
9th Grade

P R I M A R Y D E P A R T M E N T

Easter has passed, but some fond memories still remain in the minds of the boys and girls in our class. We had an Easter basket hunt, and while we were hunting a small white rabbit watched us. You are probably wondering where the rabbit came from, aren't you? About two weeks before Easter our class went downtown to the Pet Shop to choose the rabbit we wanted.

We have also visited the K.S.B. tuning department and the Fire Department down the street. At the Fire Department we got to climb on the fire engine, sit in the driver's seat, and wear the fireman's cap. We were told how the engine worked, and how fast the men could get them to working.

Now that spring is here we have been getting outside a lot. We have been noticing signs of spring, we have been pulling the new leaves off trees, and we have been picking flowers. Since we can get outside we have been having some gym, and we have also planted a small garden. Kindergarten is fun, but we are all looking forward to being first graders next year.

The Kindergarten

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For the last few days some of the members of our class have been going around with bruises from falls. We fall down, get up, and fall down again. We just haven't learned yet how to stand up on our new roller skates.

We have a turtle that we feed every day when we come to school.

Speaking of food, we ate some butter the other day that we made ourselves.

For Easter we had a party, and for Mother's Day we made some salt and pepper shakers out of spools. We painted the spools silver, put a piece of tape over one end of the spool for the bottom, and a four-hole button for the sifter. We mailed these shakers home to our mothers just before Mother's Day.

First Grade

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EASTER BUNNY VISITS SECOND GRADE

On April 6th just after lunch our class went to Mrs. McDaniel's house for the Easter Egg Hunt. Mrs. Rondi and Mrs. Meadors took us to the party. We were very excited and happy when we gathered on the porch and sang Easter songs and played games. After a while we were told that the Easter Bunny had been seen in the back yard. Everyone was so happy, for the baskets were hid in the tree, in the flower beds, and in the grass, and one was even found in an old bucket. After much fun we all went back to school.

Second Grade

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SUMMER PLANS

The trees and flowers are all in bloom,
The leaves are fresh and green,
No longer is there winter gloom,
No more the snow is seen!

The grass is growing green and tall,
The birds have come to stay,
We hear them giving their sweet calls
Throughout the month of May.

And soon the time for play will come,
To school we'll go no more
Vacation has at last begun
We'll close our classroom door!

We're going home, some time to spend
With friends and family,
All summer long we'll be with them,
And share their company.

Third Grade

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The end of the year is near but we are still working hard in school. About two weeks ago we had a program in which everyone in the class took part. Some of our class members like to draw and paint, so our walls are cluttered with pictures. Our science class is making a collection for study purposes. Some people don't like arithmetic but our class has found a way to make it fun. In this class we are studying oblongs, squares, circles, and triangles. We found if you placed these figures right you could make a funny man - use two oblongs for the legs, a square for the body, two more oblongs for the arms, a circle for the head, and a triangle for his cap.

Fourth Grade

NEWS BRIEFS

Just before Easter, the superintendent of our school took a long but enjoyable trip to California. The main purpose was to attend a convention of The International Council for Exceptional Children. Upon his return, he told us of his visits to many interesting places.

Mr. Richie, a member of our faculty, was called home just before Easter vacation because of the critical illness of his sister. We were very sorry to hear of her death. We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Richie.

An Easter dance had not been planned by the faculty this year. Because of this, the boys in Huntoon House collected among themselves enough money to sponsor the activity. It was nothing fancy, but everyone enjoyed it.

When the two cottages for the smallest children were constructed, a kitchen and a dining room were not included. Since the smaller and larger children do not require the same diet, a cooking department was soon installed. Now, because of cramped quarters, this will be transferred to the first floor of each building where it will occupy one-fourth of the present playroom.

Miss Halliday, one of our kindergarten teachers, will bicycle through Europe this summer. There will be four friends in her party, and they plan to stop at the Youth Hostels in Switzerland and other countries. We hope she will return in time to teach at K.S.B. again next fall.

This is the last year that Mr. and Mrs. English will be members of the K.S.B. faculty. Mr. English has been offered the position as coach and Principal at the Ohio School for the Blind. We know that they will serve their new school as faithfully as they have served us, and that our loss will be Ohio's gain.

The annual meeting of the K.S.B. Alumni Association will be held at the school on June 10-12.

Donnie Brown
10th Grade

WE LOSE, THE BUCKEYES GAIN

When school reopens in September, K.S.B. will have lost two very fine staff members --Mr. and Mrs. William H. English.

Mr. English came to our school four years ago as science teacher and wrestling coach. Although he will be missed by all of us, the boys on the team will miss him most. He has been a real inspiration to them, and has piloted them to many a victory.

A year later Mrs. English joined us --shortly after she became Mrs. English. She has done a splendid job in the kindergarten, and will undoubtedly be difficult to replace.

Mr. English is to become Principal and wrestling coach at the Ohio School for the Blind, but at the moment Mrs. English has no plans beyond devoting full time to being a housewife. Much as we regret losing them, we wish them all the luck in the world. We hope they will come back and see us often and bring the Ohio Wrestling Team. We think the team Mr. English has built at Kentucky will be able to give a good account of itself.

Evelyn Willard
12th Grade

SCOUT NEWS

Congratulations, all you scouts who have made advancements this year. First class honors go to seven boys; many others will receive merit-badge awards.

Troop 10 reached its highest point in scouting this year when it participated in the Boy Scout Fair which was held at the Merchants and Manufacturers Building at the State Fair grounds. Beginning Friday night, April 15, at 7 o'clock, Troop 10 exhibited the work required for earning the physical development merit badge by wrestling matches and track events.

There were 150 exhibits at the Fair. They included many scout activities and hobbies which demonstrated to the public how scouts earn merit badges. It was estimated that 11,000 people attended the performance Friday night, and the crowds on Saturday afternoon and evening were equally large. There were 25 exhibits to win blue ribbons for good performances, and Troop 10 was among that number.

Even before this school year is ended, we are already looking forward to next fall. We have received an invitation from the Western Pennsylvania School for the Blind to attend a Scout Jamboree there. We always anticipate such gatherings because of the opportunity to meet so many other scouts.

Tom Frommel
12th Grade

THE MUSIC BOX

On April 30 Mr. Bates and the school band presented a highly entertaining program in chapel. The band also played for a school dance on the night of June 7, and as always, did a magnificent job.

The alumni chorus has also provided us with some fine entertainment. We especially enjoyed the Easter program.

The school chorus and music department presented the annual spring recital on May 29. It was easy to see that our music teachers and their pupils had worked hard on this program for it was an excellent performance.

With the conclusion of graduation exercises, the music box was completed. On behalf of the students of K.S.B., THE KENTUCKY COLONEL wishes to thank everyone who gave of his or her time to provide us with musical entertainment.

James Robinson
9th Grade

PITCHES FROM THE TUNING CLUB

During the last of March the primary grades were invited to inspect the Tuning Department. Each grade took a separate day in which to visit us. They were shown the piano dismantled, and when it was completely assembled. After each demonstration the children were served refreshments by two of the tuners. On the 18th of May the upper grades toured the department.

The Tuning Club's Wrecking Crew has had a great deal of work to do lately. Besides the pianos to be moved on the campus, several trips were made downtown to pick up pianos for the club's use.

Usually, at the end of each school year, the tuners take a trip. This year the four seniors in tuning (Tommy Frommel and George Huddleston who are June graduates, and Charles McDowell and Donnie Brown, both tenth graders) are going to visit the Baldwin Piano Factory in Ohio. They will be accompanied by Mr. Richie, tuning instructor.

Donnie Brown
10th Grade

S P O R T S

The 1955 edition of the K.S.B. track team saw action in only one meet, but they made it worthwhile with a fine second-place showing against Illinois.

When asked what he thought of the performance of his boys, Coach Davis said, "They are vastly improved from last year, and with another season's training under their belts they should give some people some trouble." He feels the improvement of the team can be traced to the balance which they have acquired this year. Indeed a comparison of the performance of our boys this year as against that of last season shows greater depth. Every member of the team who participated in the Illinois meet placed, yet only a year ago we talked of a one-man track team.

Mr. Davis feels that the whole team has made much progress this year. He said, however, that the three most improved boys are Donnie Bryan, Jimmy Hopkins, and Hiram Hoskins. The other member of the team, George Weir, continued his steady performance. Only two other boys were out for track, "and this," said Mr. Davis, "must not be repeated next year." He hopes that some of the older boys will follow the lead of Donald Franklin and Gary Hall, and get out there next year with an eye to adding another trophy to our collection. Remember that action speaks louder than words, and that we didn't win the E.A.A.B. with oratory.

James Robinson
9th Grade

A N A P P R E C I A T I O N

Most of the people who have gone through high school say that the senior year is the easiest of the four years. The hard and the easy go together through this short life, so altogether it hasn't been so bad. Now that I have practically finished, I can say that I will never regret a minute of the time that has been put into the school years.

The boys and girls who have graduated from old K.S.B. each year have one thought above all the rest when the time comes to receive their diplomas and gifts. One of the most important, welcomed, and useful gifts, which is usually presented at the graduation exercises, is a portable typewriter. This present is given to the graduates now that they are going out to meet the world by themselves, and it is the first thing they want to see after they have graduated. Maybe, if we are lucky, we, the Class of '55 will also be awarded that prize for which we have waited so long --a typewriter we can call our very own.

We are deeply indebted to Mr. Langan and to Miss Schneider for giving us an opportunity to learn so much about the typewriter. And we are very sorry we cannot thank, personally, the generous donor, but he prefers to remain unknown. Perhaps if he reads this he will realize how happy he has made us, and that we are truly appreciative.

I know the seniors of the past, and those of the future, join with the graduates of this year in saying that we can never extend enough thanks to the people who are responsible for this wonderful gift.

George Huddleston
12th Grade

M Y D A Y A T K. S. B.

I once heard a noted commentator quote a doctor on how one should get up: "After first opening your eyes, be sure to wiggle your toes. That is very important."

That made a deep impression on me because getting up is such a task for me. So every morning at 6:45 I am roused to the dismal fact that a new day has dared to disturb my pleasant dreams. This knocks me into a heavenly semi-consciousness until approximately 7:15. Then, and then only, do I open my eyes and wiggle my toes. I hop out of bed, and my day is off to an official start.

Of course, we girls live up to our feminine reputation. While I'm sleepily dressing, the girls gather in my room, and we have our usual gab-fest. Right in the middle of "well did you ever in your life?" or "who'd thought it?" the breakfast bell rings, and there's a mad rush down the stairs to the dining room.

Oh, how I do enjoy breakfast! It gives me time to tie up all the loose ends of miscellaneous bits of news from the preceding day. My table-mates and I have our version of a constructive gossip session. We sometimes talk about the day ahead of us and how we plan to spend it. We compare notes on bits of news, sometimes fact, but most of the time what so-and-so told us. I think I learn as much or more at meals than in the classroom. Afterwards, I dash upstairs and finish my bit of so-called work, and then I'm off to school.

After my first two classes (switchboard and typewriting) and then a brief recess, I am kept VERY busy throughout the school day. It isn't that I am not busy during these early morning classes, but they are easy for me, and there is no homework to worry about. Biology lessons, after a thorough discussion of the structure of the crayfish, consist of ball-game and wrestling scores, with Mike Berry's column featured every Friday! After a detailed account of the French Revolution in World History, my next class, the teacher reads articles that are related to our subject matter. English, although my favorite afternoon class, often presents difficulties, for, "on a full stomach," it is too easy to doze. If that comfortable couch I use as a desk in the economics class were available during this first period after lunch, I KNOW I'd go sound asleep. Frantic battles are waged during Algebra to find the value of "X"; sometimes I win. Last in the day in the academic field is the study of laws, what causes business cycles, and many other factors of the business world -- all known as economics. From here, a rush up the steps takes me to chorus rehearsals three days a week. There is usually a little controversary in the alto section to liven up the period as to who is off pitch. A noisy meeting of the cheer leaders "wears me down," and I am ready for an hour's relaxation.

This might be called a good, old fashioned hen session, and it consists of discussing the happenings of the day. About in the middle of "imagine that!" down to supper we go.

Between 6:30 and 8:00 during the week, I find myself over in Allan Cottage doing what I can to help the primary children with their homework. Oh yes, there are a few times that are rather trying. The little ones show me just how little I really do know. I have not had this experience until this year, but I really do enjoy working with them.

About 9 o'clock finds me poring over my own homework. After laboriously struggling to find the value of "X" (a different one this time), reading up on tariffs, and finishing "Silas Marner," I climb into bed ready for nine hours of peaceful slumber.

Doris Page
10th Grade

D A N G E R O U S H U N T I N G

The first light of day cut its way through the blackness of the forest. As the sky lightened, the birds began their songs, the squirrels sunk their teeth into hickory nuts, and the creatures of the night started seeking shelter. Since I am very fond of hunting, I have experienced many mornings like this. As I drew near the place where I usually sit and watch for squirrels, I was aware of a deep silence. "I must have loosened a stone or made some sound to cause this," I thought; so I sat down and waited for game.

The silence seemed to seep into my very soul. I didn't like it in the least, so to get away from it I let my mind wander back home. The family was probably eating breakfast and listening to the radio. This produced another thought. Before I left home I had turned on the radio and heard the news: "The circus came to town yesterday; due to carelessness on the part of the trainer, one of the most dangerous lions in the country escaped." I passed this off, saying that with my .22 I could kill most anything.

A twig snapped; I jumped to my feet; once more all was silent. "What in the world is wrong with me!" I exclaimed aloud. "I am getting all nervous for nothing, and I'll be shooting myself if this is kept up." I sat down again, staring into the branches of a hickory tree hoping to find that a squirrel had broken the twig while jumping through the branches.

A rock dislodged and rolled down the hill. I looked in the direction of the sound and saw IT. "It" was the lion, one of the most dangerous lions in the country. "You can't lose your head, Boy," I was saying to myself. As I raised the rifle to my shoulder, the lion started his charge. I released the safety and touched the trigger. A small spurt of blue smoke, the dry dead crack of the rifle, and the lion staggered --faltered but never fell. He came on.

Ejecting the old shell, I placed a new one in the chamber and slammed it shut. The lion came on! I raised the gun to my shoulder and touched the trigger. It was my own stupid mistake --I had forgotten to cock the rifle. Now the lion was upon me, snarling and tearing at my body. His snarls became louder and louder until they became a ringing in my ears.

I opened my eyes, put out my hand, and pushed the snap on the alarm clock by my bed.

Martin Sutton
12th Grade

W O M E N V S M E N

One of the curses to the human race
Is a dainty creature with charm and grace;
Many a man has been misled
By careless smiles or a nod of the head.

It is not that my nose is out of joint,
But I'd just like to prove to you my point;
So listen when I tell you, boys,
They'll cause you hardships and bring you no joys.

One of the big joys to the human race
Is a gifted creature with handsome face;
Many a man has made a mistake,
But there is nothing he won't undertake.

People agree he is a graceful thing,
And with much modesty he thinks the same;
If you women have any sense,
You'll go where the male population is dense.

Charles Boyer
8th Grade